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The early season slide is over, Troy Polamalu is back from a four-week layoff and the Steelers are looking much like a Super Bowl team. **3B**

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Pike vows cooperation

The commission has been targeted by a Pittsburgh-based grand jury.

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HARRISBURG – The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission acknowledged Friday that a state grand jury is investigating the agency.

"The commission has received a document subpoena from the office of Attorney General," said Bill Capone, the Turnpike's director of communications and public relations. "We have been and will continue to cooperate with that review."

He declined to say whether any employees have received subpoenas. It's not known when the document subpoenas were issued. Grand jury proceedings are secret, and Capone refused to answer any other questions about the investigation.

The statewide grand jury, based in Pittsburgh, is operating under the direction of Attorney General Tom Corbett. His spokesman, Kevin Harley, declined comment.

The attorney general's investigation began at least five months ago.

The former No. 2 official at the agency, Kevin Longenbach, former chief operating officer, testified for six hours in a visit before the grand jury June 2. Longenbach could not be reached for comment yesterday.

The involvement of the attorney general surfaced this week after reports that the FBI has been investigating matters at the agency.

Capone said the Turnpike

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Crowd seeking California posts

Races are in the works in several other Mon Valley boroughs.

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A crowded ticket still awaits voters in California.

Nine candidates are combining to seek four, four-year seats and one, two-year seat on council.

Four Democrats – Gerald "Galvie" Gardner, Patsy Alfano, Jon Bittner and Donna Bridges – and GOP hopefuls Mitchell Walker, Jon Janoski and Nancy Conn are seeking four, four-year terms.

Gardner served one term as mayor before being defeated in 2005. Gardner said he decided to get back into borough politics "because of the things I see going on that I don't appreciate."

"The downtown is filthy; nothing is getting done," Gardner said. "We need to attract businesses, and we need leadership. I hope to change the total attitude of the people who live in California for the positive."

Although not a public servant for the past four years, Gardner has been involved in public service. President of the Optimist Club, he also is a member of the borough recreation authority and the Roscoe Lions Club. Gardner helped found the borough food pantry.

"My dad taught me, way back when, to always do things for people, serve people, and that's what I've tried to do," Gardner said.

Currently on council, Bittner has served for 12 years.

Bittner said he wants to see to fruition some projects in which he has been involved in recent years, including expanding sewage into rural areas, streetscape improvements, and razing the former Hollywood Theater to bring in new businesses.

A former councilman, Alfano previously served two terms but has been off the board for two years.

Alfano said he wants to oversee completion of the sewage project, including completion of the new plant and extension of sewage lines to outlying areas – while containing costs.

A member of the recreation authority, Alfano said that board is working on a master site plan that will allow the borough to seek grants for recreation projects.

Bridges said she decided to run because she wants to improve the downtown area. She is concerned about dilapidated buildings.

"The university is looking so nice and the town is looking so bad," Bridges said.

"I'd like to keep the borough fiscally sound, and the town needs cleaned up. I want to

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Jim Ference/The Valley Independent

Pink is the order of the night at the Belle Vernon Area football as just about everyone – on the field and off – support breast cancer research. It is the same story in Monessen, where the big "M" in the middle of the Memorial Stadium field is pink instead of the traditional black, and cheerleaders Alex Antonio, left, and Blair Bailey join the cause.

Chad Carroto/For The Valley Independent

Donner Avenue building design challenge target

Westmoreland students will create renovation models of the site.

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MONESSEN – Arnold Valley Middle School student Seth Anderson said he had never heard of Monessen.

Classmate Abigail Delk says they got lost three times trying to find the city.

But the students received a crash course in Monessen history and downtown architecture Friday as they prepared for the 14th annual Westmoreland County Design Challenge.

The Arnold Valley students were among several groups of Westmoreland County school district students – including some from Monessen – to take a walking tour of the "design challenge" area in the 500 block of Donner Avenue on Thursday and Friday.

There are divisions for both middle and high school students.

Sponsored by the Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation, this teams will create a model renovation of the former Monessen Savings & Trust Building at 500 Donner Ave.

Their design must feature a facade of the south side of Donner Avenue, between Fifth and Sixth streets, comprising the former bank, a vacant lot, the old G.C. Murphy building-mini mall, a parklet, Alley Gatto's Pizzeria, the vacant Speers building and Citizens Bank.

Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation Executive Director Louise Sturgess, left, and Greater Monessen Historical Society President Vito Beneccio discuss architecture on Donner Avenue.

Stacy Wolford/The Valley Independent

The foundation selected Monessen as a host city for the competition after being contacted by the Greater Monessen Historical Society.

"We're thrilled they selected the city this year," society member Susanna Swade said.

The teams met Friday morning at Orchard Christian Fellowship Church, where they were welcomed by the Rev. John Custer and historical society President Vito C. Beneccio.

After learning about the design challenge, the students were led on a walking tour by society volunteers and Pittsburgh History and Landmarks members Louise Sturgess, executive director, and Karen Cahall.

As the students surveyed the building Friday they used their cell phones, digital cameras and camcorders to record images and jot down notes.

Ryan Pallone, an Arnold Valley student, along with his sixth grade classmates, agreed

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VALLEY PEOPLE

Charges filed in Frazier school director stabbing

Police said the incident was fueled by an argument.

By PAUL PEIRCE
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A Frazier School Board member got into an argument with a Pittsburgh man over a spilled drink last week before being stabbed, according to a criminal complaint filed Oct. 23 by state police.

Samuel F. Clark, 30, of 712 Collins Ave., East Liberty, is charged with aggravated assault, simple assault, and recklessly endangering in connection with the 3 a.m. stabbing of Fayette County attorney and school director John H. Lowery III.

The incident occurred at Lowery's home at 112 Washington Drive, Jefferson Township. Charges were filed before Belle Vernon District Judge Jesse Cramer.

Trooper Joseph Panepinto said Lowery, 39, told police after the assault that four friends including Clark returned to Lowery's residence after drinking at a bar and began making drinks in the kitchen.

Lowery told police, according to the affidavit of probable cause, that Clark approached him, stabbing him in the back with a knife "for no reason." Lowery added that as he began turning around toward Clark, Clark slashed him again in the lower back and stabbed him in the chest near his heart.

Lowery told police another man, William Best Jr., then interceded and pushed Clark out of the residence. As Clark was leaving, Lowery told police he struck Clark in the head with a socket wrench.

Best told police that the stabbing occurred when the pair began arguing over a spilled drink in Lowery's living room. According to the affidavit, during the argument Best told officers that Lowery grabbed a cellular telephone and struck Clark in the head and he separated them.

Best said that after separating the two, Lowery entered the kitchen and then "Best related that he then heard Lowery screaming that he was stabbed."

According to the affidavit, Best told police that when he entered the kitchen he saw Clark holding a kitchen knife.

Lowery was released from UPMC Presbyterian hospital in Oakland.

He was airlifted to the Pittsburgh hospital after being examined in Monongahela Valley Hospital in Carroll Township. Lowery was driven to the hospital by an acquaintance, according to authorities.

Lowery could not be reached for comment.

The complaint was sent to Clark by mail and a hearing will be scheduled.

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This undated photo shows the "swinging bridge" that once spanned the Youghiogheny River near Perryopolis.

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Pike (FROM PAGE ONE)

asked the FBI for assistance as a result of an internal investigation into apparent irregularities in the six-lane widening from Valley Forge to Norristown. The project costs $181 million.

Capone said the FBI was called in because it has subpoena power. He would not comment what the inspector general found that triggered the federal investigation, saying only "it's an ongoing investigation."

The federal investigation is separate from the state grand jury inquiry.

A civil lawsuit filed in April sheds some light on alleged personnel practices at the commission. Former Turnpike Labor Relations Manager Don Kovac contends in a lawsuit that union employees with political connections were given favorable treatment in employee-grievance procedures.

Capone said he could not comment on pending litigation. The Turnpike, though, has filed a motion to dismiss Kovac's suit.

Design (FROM PAGE ONE)

they have a lot of exciting plans for the building.

"It's a cool old building," Pallone said. "I think we can work with this."

Franklin Regional High School gifted program students took part in a guided tour with historical society volunteer Candis Kelly, who explained the former bank was built with pressed brick, stone and steel.

The students received photos of what the building and the block looked like when it was a booming steel city with dozens of businesses.

Franklin Regional senior Morgan Hill says she can envision the building being used for apartments, as many students attending Douglas Education Center live in the city.

"I think it definitely has a lot of potential," she said.

Their teacher, Susan Sunseri, said she can imagine what the city once looked like in its heyday.

"These old buildings have a lot of character," Sunseri said. "I think the kids should try and keep that character and history in their designs."

The middle school teams will present their designs Feb. 22. The high school teams will show their models on Feb. 23.

Last year, Belle Vernon Area High School's gifted support students won first place for their design of a building in Vandergrift.

Monessen's middle school team won first place in excellence and the student choice award last year.

California (FROM PAGE ONE)

instill a little pride in the town, and maybe it will be a better place to live and attract busies."

Walker received a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice Cal U in August.

"I am a young person in the community," he said. "I have a lot of concern about the future. I want this to be a community where those who are educated here can work here."

Walker said, "small town economic development is the only hope for this country."

He has ideas for parking and how the community can increase revenues without raising taxes.

Janoski became involved in the community with such groups as the fire department and the gun club when he moved to the borough to attend Cal U.

"As a young person, I feel I can bring a different perspective to council," Janoski said. "I'm interested in working on redeveloping the downtown commercial district and trying to expand development into rural areas with infrastructure."

Janoski served as secretary of Cal U Council of Trustees as an undergraduate student. Janoski said he wants to strengthen the relationship between the town and the university.

Conn hopes to join her son, Mayor Casey Durdines, in borough government.

"I would treat it no different than if someone else is mayor," Conn said. "I would do it on a professional manner. I don't always agree with him on issues."

Conn admits she is running a low-profile race. She has spent her time studying borough government rather than putting up political signs.

"People have asked me if they can put my sign in their yards and I tell them, 'I don't have any signs, but you're welcome to make one and put it in your window if you want,' she said.

"I'm not campaigning. Most of the people in community have known me most of their lives."

Conn said she is running because "there is no one to represent the rural part of California. Sometimes we seem to be pushed into the background."

Democrat Anthony N. Mariscotti and Republican Tim Buchanan will face off for a two-year seat on council.

Mariscotti was appointed by council last year to replace his father, who died a year ago.

"I want to fulfill my dad's legacy, the things he started," Mariscotti said.

Mariscotti said he hopes to represent the business community.

"The council needs to have some people who own businesses in town so the business people's needs are being met," Mariscotti said. "I would like to think I'm known for logical, well-thought-out decisions. I hope to run this town more efficiently."

Buchanan said he has been involved with the community, both at the university where he works and and in the borough.

"I had an interest in writing grants and ways to access the economic stimulus funding," Buchanan said. "It takes a great deal of attention to detail to be involved in those kinds of projects."

A 2005 Cal U graduate, Buchanan is executive director of special initiatives for the university.

Buchanan said he hopes to bring his talent for grant writing to council.

"Everyone on council brings unique gifts and that's one thing I did not see there," Buchanan said.

A council race will be in Elizabeth Borough, where Democrats William C. Van Fosston, Nicholas Tobin, Barry Boucher and Rich Lewis, along with Republicans Lawrence Burl Duvall Jr., Paula Stevens, Betty Kroger, and Robin I. Miller, will face off for four, four-year seats.

In addition, five will seek four council seats in Donora – Denylle Pucel, Carol Rands, Karen Polkabla, Bill Hevia and Jason Menendez.

In West Brownsville, Democrats Patricia Maxton, Joseph A. Disavow Jr., George M. Lacey, and Lawrence A. Beck, along with Republican Rich Black, are seeking four, four-year seats on council.

Valley briefs

Car hits deer; deer hits car

Two vehicles sustained extensive damage after a run-in with a deer Friday morning on State Route 906 in Rostraver Township.

The accident occurred approximately 7:20 a.m., about a tenth of a mile south of Route 136 in Forward Township.

Rostraver Township police said a vehicle traveling in the southbound lane operated by Eric Sandro, 35, of 430 First Ave., New Eagle, came upon a deer crossing the road and could not avoid the animal.

Sandro's vehicle struck the deer, flipping it into the air.

The deer then smashed into the windshield of a vehicle traveling in the northbound lane operated by Raymond Dickerson, 39, of 334 Chestnut St., Monessen.

Sandro was not injured. Dickerson was transported to Monongahela Valley Hospital by Mon Valley Emergency Medical Services personnel for minor injuries.

The road was partially closed for approximately an hour.

Jacobs Creek road still closed

A section of Railroad Street in Jacobs Creek, South Huntingdon Township, will remain closed until Nov. 6.

The closure is necessary while CSX crews remove and replace the crossing surface on Railroad Street.

Motorists should use Route 981, Stahl Road and Jacobs Creek Road during the closure.

Court security staffer injured

A member of the security staff at the Fayette County Courthouse was taken to The Uniontown Hospital after he apparently lost his footing Friday on a courthouse staircase.

Security Chief Tom McDowell said Pete Ruggieri and another security officer were escorting a prisoner down the stairs when Ruggieri slipped and fell. McDowell, who did not witness the incident, said he understood Ruggieri was complaining of ankle and arm pain.

The incident was unrelated to the prisoner under escort, McDowell said, and did not result from any type of altercation. Ruggieri's condition could not be determined last night.

Swine flu vaccine rules softened

HARRISBURG (AP) – Gov. Ed Rendell said the state is helping people get swine flu vaccine more quickly.

Rendell said Friday that the state is allowing hospitals to administer the vaccine from temporary sites without the normal occupancy inspections that can take days to complete.

Rendell said the state is allowing the vaccine to be administered by physician assistants, which is beyond the normal scope of their duties.

Rendell said hospitals and doctors asked for the changes to help them deal with mounting demand for vaccinations.

Through Tuesday, the state had received nearly 800,000 doses of swine flu vaccine. A total of 6 million is anticipated.

Jeff Pikulsky/The Valley Independent

Donora Historical Society volunteers Mark Pawelec, left, and Dr. Charles Stacy view a 1928 photograph of workers at American Steel and Wire Co. in Donora. The society is seeking other artifacts.

Donora museum seeking artifacts

The historical society will conduct an artifact drive Nov. 14 at the downtown facility.

By The Valley Independent

The Donora Historical Society needs Mid-Mon Valley residents to dig into their attics for antiques and hidden treasures with connections to Donora.

From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 14, the society will conduct its first annual artifact drive at the Donora Smog and Historical Museum.

The historical society was established in 1946 and is considered to be the oldest community historical society in Washington County.

The museum opened last year in conjunction with the 60th anniversary of the 1948 Donora Smog incident. Organizers say the facility is flourishing.

Located at the intersection of McKean Avenue and Sixth Street, the museum is seeking family heirlooms, hidden treasures and other artifacts.

One of the goals is to preserve Donora-related artifacts in the borough.

Museum volunteer Mark Pawelec expects many items to be donated from the estates of deceased residents. But has yet to occur.

Pawelec stressed that donated items will be treated with the "utmost care."

Artifacts can be old photos, steel mill-related mementos; school-related mementos; uniforms related to the armed forces, fire and police departments; sports equipment; family genealogies; home movies; and paper objects.

The historical society is a nonprofit organization and can't purchase items at this time.

During the artifact drive, historians will be on hand to accept donated family treasures and catalog them.

Donors are asked to provide brief, written information about the artifacts.

Those who can't make it to the museum Nov. 14 can schedule appointments at the museum or their homes by calling (724) 379-6999 or (724) 379-5104.

Museum officials will pick up larger or hard-to-handle artifacts. The museum accepts artifacts year round.

On Nov. 14, visitors will get to see the artifacts room where items will be cataloged and stored.

Museum merchandise, including T-shirts, hats, plates, calendars and cards, will be available for sale. The museum is selling Christmas cards that features a Donora Christmas scene.

The society will accept items that do not have any significance to Donora for resale purposes to help cover museum costs and other society projects. Such antiques will be accepted during the artifacts drive.

The society views antiques as anything at least 40 years old that might have value.

Candidates seeking posts in Fallowfield, Rostraver

The races feature incumbents and newcomers.

By CHRIS BUCKLEY
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Five candidates will seek two supervisor posts in Fallowfield Township Tuesday.

Robert Large was appointed to the board after longtime Supervisor Herman Pennline resigned Sept. 26, 2008.

Running as a Republican, Large will face Democrat David Ekves for a two-year seat.

Ekves said that, if elected, he hopes to "get lower taxes, improve township roads, work with the police department, get the (Alta Vista) industrial park going to create new jobs there and get new housing."

"I would also like to see a park for walking and for kids to play in," Ekves said. "The township is like a business. It needs to be run like one."

Three candidates will vie for one six-year term, incumbent Donn Henderson, running as an independent, Democrat Earl P. Sadler, and Republican Greg B. Woddell.

First elected in 1993, Henderson served from 1994 to 2000. After stepping down, he was re-elected in 2003.

Henderson said he hopes to "keep the township in good financial state, continue the work we've done sticking with road improvements at over $100,000 per year, and try to get a second vote to provide new police or work toward regionalization." Henderson said he wants to continue park revitalization at the old Fallowfield Elementary school site.

A lifetime member of the township fire department, Sadler said, "I feel I could be of value to this community because I am retired and they need someone who gives them full time, not just a 30-minute meeting.

"I know the town and feel I can help all of the people, not just a few," he added.

In Rostraver Township, incumbent commissioners Tom Patterson and Pat Egros are being challenged by former commissioner Andy Temoshenka and former Belle Vernon Area School Board director Jim Schoaf for two commissioner posts.

Christian faith draws Lee back to alma mater

Lee has changed careers twice since leaving Charleroi.

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Valley exports

A weekly look at people who left the Valley

Douglas Lee was happy during his career as an attorney in West Virginia.

Lee

However, he wasn't fulfilled. Something inside him was crying out for a way to have his Christian faith have a greater role in his daily life.

And then came a perfect opportunity with his alma mater, Waynesburg University.

In early October, Lee, a Charleroi native and 1977 Charleroi Area High School graduate, was named executive vice president of institutional advancement.

"Waynesburg College was where I was challenged to integrate my Christian faith into my personal and professional life," Lee said.

"I think it is essential to put faith into action by serving others. I enjoyed my career as a partner in a large law firm, but in the back of my mind, I always believed I could do more.

"In my new role at Waynesburg, I now have the opportunity to be an advocate for a university that educates students to make connections between faith, learning and serving so they can be positive agents of change in their communities, the nation and the world.

"For me, that's a very exciting opportunity."

Lee returned to Waynesburg, where he had a successful insurance agency for nine years after he received his degree from the institution in 1981.

While working in the insurance business, he decided that he wanted to be a lawyer, so he went to law school at West Virginia University.

Upon earning his juris doctorate, Lee went to work for Steptoe and Johnson, Attorneys at Law.

"It's a firm of 180 attorneys with offices in West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky," Lee said. "I handled labor and employment law on behalf of employers."

Lee, who settled in Fairmont, W. Va., with his family and still lives there, said that he enjoyed his time as an attorney.

"But sometimes, you need a challenge in life," he said.

"The decision to come back to Waynesburg was prefaced by a lot of prayer. My wife, Kathyrn, and I are very excited to serve Waynesburg University."

Lee said, even while working in West Virginia, he never cut ties with his college alma mater. He was active with the alumni association and served on the university board of trustees.

"I've always loved the university," he said. "And the first three weeks of my new job here have been extremely fulfilling.

> "This job is exciting. It's pretty much what has been in the back of my mind for a long time."
>
> DOUGLAS LEE

"This job is exciting. It's pretty much what has been in the back of my mind for a long time."

He paused for a moment and added, "I've been loving every day of it. When you make a career change, you sometimes second-guess yourself. I know I made the right decision."

A proponent for civic involvement, Lee is an elder in the Presbyterian Church and serves on the executive board for the Mountaineer Area Council Boy Scouts of America.

He also serves on the board of directors for the Union Rescue Mission in Fairmont.

An accomplished endurance athlete, Lee has completed three ironman distance triathlons and participated in several marathons, including the Marine Corps Marathon and Death Valley Marathon.

His mother, Donna Lee, still resides in Charleroi.

He and his wife, a 1976 Charleroi Area graduate, have two children, Lauren and Brendan.

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They have large sewer pipes all over town. What are they for? The hinterland, we all paid our tap-in fees years ago and anybody who wants sewer should pay for it, not the people of California. In Rostraver Township they are paying 2 or 3 thousand dollars for tap-ins.

These people think they have a perfect solution to any money problem. Just go to the sewer dept. and the cash cow lets you raise taxes and other charges for you to pay. They completely ignored the Sunshine Law in this respect.

All summer they were working with heavy machines just past the Rotary Park, then abandoned the endeavor. What was that all about?

Go to the next council meeting on **November 12 at 6:30** in the Municipal building and ask a lot of questions and try to get honest answers.

Martin Luther Hepple

RECORDS

DEATH NOTICES

BARDI – Louis Vincent Bardi, 87, of Sarastoa, Fla., formerly of Monongahela, on Monday, Oct. 19. Theresa Vincent Bardi, Monongahela.*

GASPER – Pearl (Josefkowicz) Gasper, 89, of Oakmont and Lawrenceville, on Thursday, Oct. 29. Burket - Truby Funeral Home Cremation & Alternative Services Inc., Oakmont.*

HENZE – Karen S. (Owens) Henze, 50, of Finleyville, on Friday, Oct. 30. Kegel Funeral Home, Finleyville.*

SEXAUER – Mary M. (Gurcak) Sexauer, of Baldwin, on Thursday, Oct. 29. John F. Slater Funeral Home Inc., Brentwood.*

SIMBOLI – Irene E. (DeFazio) Simboli, 91, of North Belle Vernon, on Thursday, Oct. 29. Leonard J. Parzynski Funeral Home, Belle Vernon.*

ZERONE – Elizabeth Zerone, 57, of Monessen, on Friday, Oct. 30. Robert A. Billick Funeral Home Inc., Monessen.*

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Irene E. (DeFazio) Simboli

North Belle Vernon

Irene E. DeFazio Simboli, 91, of North Belle Vernon, died 10:50 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, 2009, at Westmoreland Hospital, Greensburg. Born Aug. 12, 1918, in North Belle Vernon, she was the daughter of the late Thomas and Elizabeth Frustaggi DeFazio. A lifelong resident of North Belle Vernon, Mrs. Simboli was a member of St. Sebastian R.C. Church. In the early part of her married life, she was employed as a receptionist to the late Dr. John M. Gemmill, of Belle Vernon. Irene was a good cook, loving wife and mother who loved family, and family was her life. She is survived by her husband, Guido L. Simboli, to whom she was married 69 years, three sons and two daughters-in-law, the Rev. Ronald L. Simboli, pastor of the Church of St. Anne, Rostraver Township, Dennis and Terry Simboli, North Belle Vernon, James and Patty Simboli, of Monongahela; three grandchildren, Lana Kubistek and husband, Tim, Matthew Simboli and Ashley Simboli; a great grandson, Hunter; and numerous nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by three brothers, Santos 'Sam' DeFazio, Tony DeFazio and James DeFazio and four sisters, Mary DeFazio, Theresa Baker, Rose Campisano and Jennie Evans. Visitation will be 2 to 4 and 6 to 8:30 p.m. Sunday at the LEONARD J. PARZYNSKI FUNERAL HOME FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED, 626 Broad Ave., Belle Vernon, (724) 929-6183. A prayer service will be 10:45 a.m. Monday in the funeral home, followed by an 11:30 a.m. funeral mass at St. Sebastian R.C. Church, with her son, the Rev. Ronald L. Simboli, as celebrant. Interment will take place in Belle Vernon Cemetery. Condolences accepted at the funeral home's Web site, www.parzynskifuneralhome.com.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

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Louis Vincent Bardi

Sarastoa, Fla.
Formerly of Monongahela

Louis Vincent Bardi, 87, formerly of Monongahela, Pa., died Monday, Oct. 19, 2009, at Sarasota Hospice House, Sarasota, Fla., with his three children at his side. Born Jan. 17, 1922, in Bradford, Pa., he was preceded in death by the love of his life, Barbara Wulf Bardi; parents, Giulio and Theresa (Piscitelli) Bardi; and a brother John Bardi. He is survived by three children, Theresa A. Willis, of Reynoldsburg, Ohio, Louis Bardi Jr., of Sarasota Fla., and Kathleen (Robert) Zimmerman, of North Conway, N.H.; seven grandchildren, Nick W. (Tina) Willis, Laura A. Bardi, Patricia L. Bardi, Robert A. (Danielle) Zimmerman Jr., Zachary L. Zimmerman, Megan Zimmerman (Scott) Mohla and Justin A. Zimmerman; great grandchildren, Jamie L. Willis, Trenton L. Bardi, Cayleigh K. Mohla, Scott D. Mohla Jr., Mia M. Mohla, Bryce D. Zimmerman and Maya J. Zimmerman; two great-great grandchildren, Faith E. Willis and Ryan A. Bowersock II. He is also survived by sister, Julia Bardi Appolonia, of Monongahela, Pa., and brother, J. Hugo Bardi, of Belle Vernon, Pa., and many nieces and nephews. At his request, no services are planned. Donations can be made to a hospice or a charity of your choice.

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Angelo L. Demis

Donora

Angelo L. Demis, 71, of Donora, died suddenly on Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2009, at UPMC Presbyterian. Mr. Demis was born in Glassport on March 7, 1938, a son of the late Louis and Josephine Telaga Demis. He was the owner/operator of Chubs Pub in Donora for over 25 years. Ang retired from the U.S. Army as a sergeant major, and he also served in the Special Forces Green Beret. He was a graduate of Glassport High School, a sponsor of the NRA, a member of St Dominic's Social Club, a member of East Monongahela Sportsmen's Club, and a member of EE Jobes Post 212 American Legion, Donora. Mr. Demis was preceded in death by two sons, Richard and Robert. Surviving is his stepson, Stephen (Victoria) Walko of Donora; two nephews, Joe and David Demis, both of Las Vegas, Nev.; and a special friend, LuAnn Hardesty of Donora. Friends will be received on Sunday, Nov. 1, 2009, from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the JAMES A. RABE FUNERAL HOME INC., 701 Thompson Ave., Donora, where a blessing service will be held on Monday at 10 a.m., with the Rev. Pierre M. Falkenhan officiating. Entombment with full military honors will follow at Mon Valley Memorial Park, Donora. Family and friends may view the obituary and offer online condolences at www.rabefuneralhome.com

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Pearl (Josefkowicz) Gasper

Oakmont and Lawrenceville

Pearl (Josefkowicz) Gasper, 89, of Oakmont and Lawrenceville, passed away peacefully Thursday evening, Oct. 29, 2009, with her family at Willows Presbyterian SeniorCare, Oakmont. She was the beloved wife of the late Carl J. Gasper Sr.; dear mother of Carl J. Gasper Jr., Kathleen M. Vecchio and the late Ruth Ann, Paul Gasper and Barbara J. Gensler; and sister of Sophie Avick and the late Ted Jozefkowicz, Ruth Sauers, Bernice Krawzyk and Mary Ann McIntyre. Six grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild survive. Friends and family will be received from 2 to 9 p.m. Sunday at BURKET-TRUBY FUNERAL HOME CREMATION & ALTERNATIVE SERVICES INC., 421 Allegheny Ave., Oakmont. Mass of Christian Burial at 11:30 a.m. Monday in St. Irenaeus Catholic Church, Oakmont. The family strongly encourages memorials to the Benevolent Fund of Presbyterian SeniorCare Oakmont, which gave her the highest quality of love and care.

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Karen S. (Owens) Henze

Finleyville

Karen S. (Owens) Henze, 50, of Finleyville, beloved wife of Donald Henze Jr., went to be with our Lord Jesus in Heaven on Friday, Oct. 30, 2009, in the Center for Compassionate Care in Mt. Lebanon. She was born Jan. 5, 1959, in New Eagle, a daughter of Paul and Joan Krieger Owens, of Finleyville. Mrs. Henze had been employed as a bookkeeper at the former Value Cleaners in Finleyville and was the owner of the former Unique Gifts in Finleyville. She was a member of St. Francis of Assisi Church in Finleyville, where she had taught CCD and was active with K's Angels Relay for Life in Peters Township. She was a former member of Gastonville Elementary Center PTA, and the Union Township Recreation Board, where she was instrumental in acquiring funding from grants to purchase equipment for both Pleasantview and Union Township parks. Surviving in addition to her husband and her parents are three sons, Jason Henze and his wife, Jeni, of Castle Shannon, Joshua Henze and his wife, Chante', of Dormont, and Barrett Henze, of Finleyville; a daughter, Sabryna Henze, of Finleyville; four brothers, Paul Owens Jr. and his wife, Carolyn, of Cheswick; David Owens and his wife, Debra, of South Park; Donald Owens and his wife, Marybeth, of Lewis Center, Ohio; and Thomas Owens, and his wife, Lisa, of Finleyville; two sisters, Joan Waxman and her husband, Rocky, of South Park and Diane Lucci, of Finleyville; her father and mother-in-law, Donald and Donna Henze, of Finleyville; a sister-in-law, Suzonne Baynham, of Finleyville; and many nieces and nephews. Deceased are her sister, Kathleen Levinsky, and a nephew, Ryan Owens. Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday and from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Monday at KEGEL FUNERAL HOME INC., Tim P. Kegel, supervisor, 3560 Washington Ave., Finleyville. A Mass of Christian Burial will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2009, at St. Francis Church, Finleyville, with the Rev. Robert J. Boyle as celebrant. Interment will follow in Finleyville Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to Family Hospice and Palliative Care, 50 Moffet St., Pittsburgh, PA, 15243, or to a charity of one's choice.

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Mary M. (Gurcak) Sexauer

Baldwin

Mary M. (Gurcak) Sexauer, 84, of Baldwin, died Thursday, Oct. 29, 2009. Beloved wife of more than 61 years to the late Donald R. Sexauer; loving mother of Jacqueline (Chester) Bajkowski, Donald R. (Ann) Sexauer Jr., Susan (John) Eisley, Nancy (Greg) Smith, Michael (Theresa) Sexauer and Mary (Joe) Chapin; sister of the late Anne Soyka, Andrew, Joseph, Charles and Albert Gurcak and Irene Murdock. Survived by 16 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and preceded in death by two great-grandchildren. Mary was a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and will be greatly missed by all who knew her. Friends will be received from 1 to 3 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the JOHN F. SLATER FUNERAL HOME INC., 412-881-4100, 4201 Brownsville Road, Brentwood, PA 15227. Funeral prayer at 8:45 a.m. Monday. Mass of Christian Burial at 9:30 in in St. Wendelin Church. In lieu of flowers, family suggests contributions to St. Wendelin Church, 2728 Custer Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15227, or American Heart Association/American Stroke Association, Pennsylvania/Delaware Affiliate Memorial Processing Center, 777 Penn Center Blvd., Suite 200, Pittsburgh, PA 15235. Please send condolences to www.johnfslater.com.

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Elizabeth Zerone Monessen

Elizabeth Zerone, 57, of Monessen, died Friday, Oct. 30, 2009, in the Center for Compassionate Care in Mt. Lebanon, following a three-year battle with A.L.S. (Lou Gehrig's Disease). Born in Jersey City, New Jersey, on July 16, 1952, she was the daughter of the late Elizabeth Pavlisak and Frank Pavlisak, who survives and resides in Donora. She was a member of St. Michael's Byzantine Catholic Church of Donora. She retired as administrative assistant for the late Speaker of the House James Manderino. Besides her father, she is survived by her husband, Thomas V. Zerone, one daughter and son-in-law, Deborah and Kevin Kocan, of Clinton, Pa.; son, Christopher Zerone, of Monessen; grandson, Kingston Thomas Kocan; and a brother and sister-in-law, Frank and Carol Pavlisak Jr., of Monongahela. Friends will be received 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday in the ROBERT A. BILLICK FUNERAL HOME INC., Grand Boulevard and Marion Avenue, Monessen, (724) 684-3700. Prayers will be said 9:30 a.m. Monday in the funeral home, followed by a 10 a.m. funeral service in St. Michael Byzantine Catholic Church, with the Rev. Stephen Wahal officiating. Interment will follow in St. Michael Cemetery. Parastas services will be 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

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In Loving Memory Of
Lorraine Kutska

A Birthday Tribute tomorrow, November 1st, in loving memory of our beloved mother and grandmother, **Lorraine Kutska.** We'd like to be with you today if only for a while. We'd like to share your company and see your cheery smile. But since that is impossible we'll do the next best thing, and visit you in heart and thought by just remembering.

Sadly missed and loved by Children, Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

In Memory Of
Donald S. Roberts

A Birthday Tribute today, October 31st, in loving memory of our beloved Husband and Father, Grandfather and Great-Grandfather,

Donald S. Roberts,

who would have been 82 years old. Every day in some way memories of you come our way. Though absent you are always near, still loved, still missed & ever dear. Beautiful memories are wonderful things, they last through the longest day. They never wear out, they never get lost, and can never be given away. Though by some you may be forgotten, and to others a part of the past, but for us who loved and lost you, your memory will always last.

We Love and Miss You, his Wife Millie and Family

In Loving Memory

WILLIAM F. BOVA

Oct. 18, 1940 - Oct. 13, 2009

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair, perhaps you sent a floral spray, if so, we saw it there. Perhaps you sent a gift of food or let us use your car, perhaps it was a call you made from nearby or afar. Perhaps you spoke the kindest word as any friend could say, perhaps you were not there at all or just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much, whatever the part.

A special thanks to Reverend William Bailey of The Free Methodist Church, and its members, family, friends, neighbors, and all those who helped in any way to lessen our sorrow in our bereavement after the death of our beloved Husband and Father.

Elizabeth (Betty) Bova, Tony Bova and Tawny Janes

DISTRICT COURT

Joseph Dalfonso Monessen

The following preliminary hearings were scheduled Friday before Magisterial District Judge Joseph Dalfonso, Monessen:

■ James Cowart, 28, 4 Knox Ave., Monessen; charged with harassment and simple assault after he allegedly assaulted Natalie Fine on Oct. 4 at his residence. The case was waived to court.

■ George Washington, 64, 627 Marguerite Ave., Monessen; charged with simple assault for allegedly assaulting Chevonn Hazzard Sept. 21 at his residence. The case was dismissed.

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Scammer pleads guilty

By The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA – A former telemarketing company official admitted Friday that he scammed small businesses out of millions of dollars by duping them into paying for Internet services without their consent.

Neal Saferstein, 36, of Mount Laurel, N.J., pleaded guilty Friday to mail fraud and tax-evasion charges.

His company, GoInternet, defrauded up to 400,000 small businesses and individuals out of as much as $75 million from 2001 to 2004, prosecutors said. They tricked customers into receiving information packets that triggered charges of about $30 a month unless the recipient canceled the service. The packets were designed to look like junk mail and were often tossed unopened, authorities said.

GoInternet, in business from 1997 to 2004, was the target of a civil suit by the Federal Trade Commission and was accused by several states of violating do-not-call lists. The FTC case led to a $58 million judgment against Saferstein and GoInternet.

In Memory Of
Anthony and Louise Galante

May you always walk in sunshine and God's love around you flow, for the happiness you both gave us, no one will ever know. It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone, a part of us went with you the day God called you home. A million times we've needed you. A million times we've cried. If love could only have saved you, you never would have died. The Lord be with you and may you rest in peace, free of cancer and suffering. Love never dies mom and dad.

All our love and prayers, Karen, Tony, Dominic, Gino, Carlo, Annamaria, Anthony and Kelli

In Loving Memory of our Son
DONALD L. ROBERTS

Who passed away 3 years ago, November 1st.

OUR BELOVED SON:

D Darling little Child grown into a handsome young man.

O Once in a lifetime creation, Our Son.

N Never to be forgotten and always in our hearts forever. We will always Love You.

Very sadly missed & ♥ loved by his Mother & his Family

NEWS

TODAY in HISTORY

Today is Saturday, Oct. 31, the 304th day of 2009. There are 61 days left in the year. This is Halloween. A reminder: Daylight-saving time ends Sunday at 2 a.m. local time. Clocks go back one hour.

Today's Highlight:

On Oct. 31, 1517, Martin Luther posted the 95 Theses on the door of the Wittenberg Palace church, marking the start of the Protestant Reformation in Germany.

On this date:

■ In 1864, Nevada became the 36th state.

■ In 1926, magician Harry Houdini died in Detroit of gangrene and peritonitis resulting from a ruptured appendix.

■ In 1941, the Navy destroyer USS Reuben James was torpedoed by a German U-boat off Iceland with the loss of some 100 lives, even though the United States had not yet entered World War II.

■ In 1959, a former U.S. Marine showed up at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow to declare he was renouncing his American citizenship so he could live in the Soviet Union. His name: Lee Harvey Oswald.

■ In 1967, Nguyen Van Thieu took the oath of office as the first president of South Vietnam's second republic.

■ In 1968, President Lyndon B. Johnson ordered a halt to all U.S. bombing of North Vietnam, saying he hoped for fruitful peace negotiations.

■ In 1984, Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was assassinated by two Sikh security guards.

■ In 1994, a Chicago-bound American Eagle ATR-72 crashed in northern Indiana, killing all 68 people aboard.

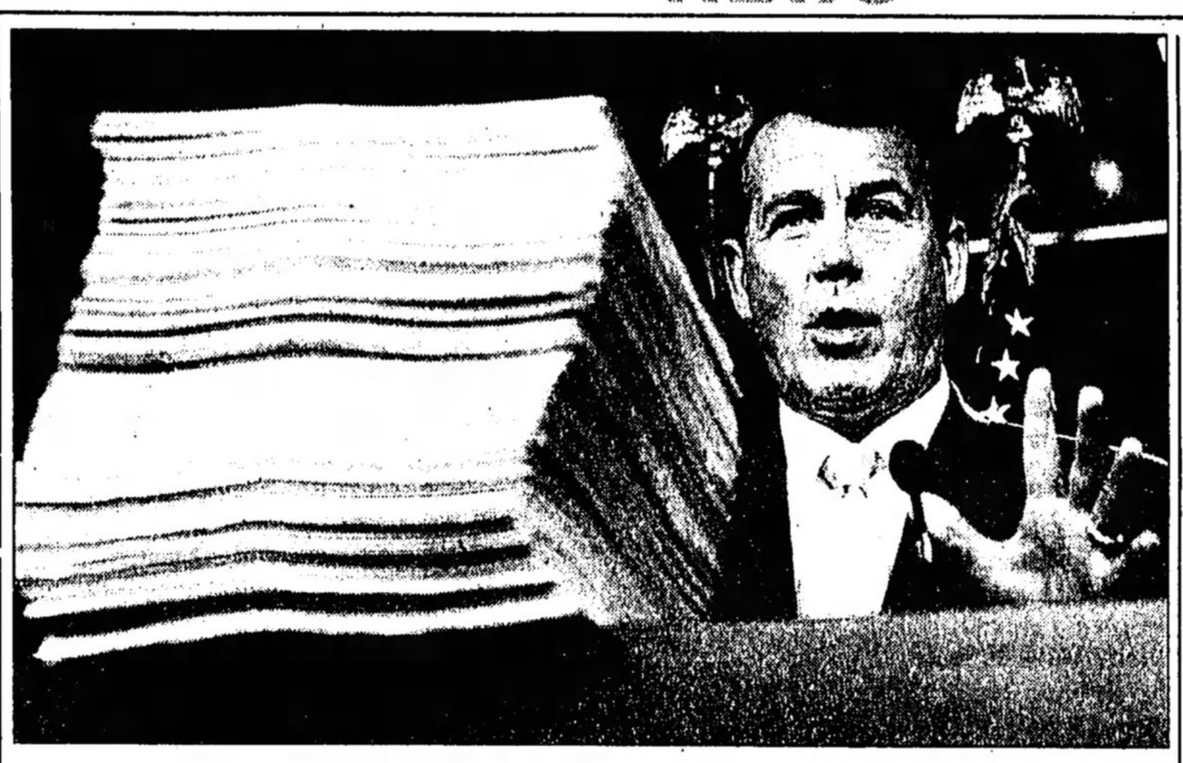
■ In 1996, a Brazilian Fokker-100 jetliner crashed in Sao Paulo, killing all 96 people on board and three on the ground.

■ In 1998, a genetic study was released suggesting President Thomas Jefferson did in fact father at least one child by his slave Sally Hemings.

■ **Ten years ago**: EgyptAir Flight 990, bound from New York to Cairo, crashed off the Massachusetts coast, killing all 217 people aboard.

■ **Five years ago**: In the closing hours of their bitter campaign, President George W. Bush and challenger Sen. John Kerry charged through the critical battlegrounds of Florida and Ohio, going from hushed Sunday church services to raucous campaign rallies with promises to keep America safe.

■ **One year ago**: President George W. Bush signed an executive order restoring the Libyan government's immunity from terror-related lawsuits and dismissing pending compensation cases. Pulitzer Prize-winning author Studs Terkel died in Chicago at age 96.



Associated Press

House Minority Leader John Boehner speaks behind a copy of the Democrats' version of the health care bill during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.

Path clearing for House to approve health bill

Disappointed liberals seem ready to compromise.

By ERICA WERNER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — They may not like it, but many House liberals look ready to accept a compromise health care bill, putting Democratic leaders well on the way to delivering on President Barack Obama's call for overhaul.

After claiming for months they couldn't vote for a bill without the strongest possible government-run insurance option, liberals are putting aside their disappointment over the weaker version in the legislation for a historic chance to remake America's medical system.

"The current language is far weaker than what I would have preferred, and I think that is also true of the Progressive Caucus," Rep. Emanuel Cleaver, D-Mo., a member of the Congressional Black Caucus, said Friday. "But because I did not come up here to participate in gridlock and acrimony, I have told leadership that I am willing to compromise."

Obama privately told House liberals they should chalk up a win.

Leaders from the Progressive, Black, Hispanic and Asian-Pacific American caucuses met at the White House Thursday evening with Obama, who listened to their concerns and praised their efforts.

"He looked at us and he said, 'You guys ought to be walking around like you won because you brought back the public option,'" said Rep. Mike Honda, D-Calif. He was referring to the fact that prospects for any kind of government-run option looked grim after August's angry town halls.

House floor debate could begin late next week on the sweeping bill that extends coverage to 96 percent of Americans, imposes new requirements on individuals and employers to get insurance and provides subsidies for lower-income people.

The bill includes a new public insurance plan that would pay providers and hospitals rates negotiated by the Health and Human Services secretary. Liberals had pushed for payment rates to be tied to Medicare, which they argued would mean lower costs to consumers and the federal government. But moderates' concerns that those lower rates would hurt hospitals and other providers in their districts prevailed, even though House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., had backed the Medicare-based version.

In one bit of sobering news, the Congressional Budget Office estimated that only about 6 million people would sign up and that premiums for the government plan could be higher than for private coverage. The CBO says sicker people with higher costs probably would be attracted to the government plan. By comparison, 162 million people would remain covered through employer plans.

There are still concerns from moderates over the bill's cost — $1.055 trillion over 10 years — and long-term spending implications, and disputes to be resolved on how to block federal funding of abortions and prevent illegal immigrants from getting taxpayer-funded care. But the once-strident liberal opposition to the version of the public insurance option in the bill Pelosi released Thursday had all but disappeared 24 hours later.

It's the exact outcome Pelosi predicted in early August, infuriating progressives at the time.

"Are you asking me, 'Are the progressives going to take down universal, quality, affordable health care for all Americans?' I don't think so," Pelosi said then, laughing at the question.

Sure enough, they're not.

"I hate to say the speaker was right, but in retrospect I guess the progressives are going to be the good soldiers on this one, one more time," said Rep. Raul Grijalva, D-Ariz., a co-chair of the Progressive Caucus.

U.S. leans to Iran sanctions

By MATTHEW LEE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Frustrated by Iran's continued defiance of demands to come clean on its nuclear program, the Obama administration is leaning toward imposing new sanctions, even if it must act alone.

Administration officials acknowledged growing concern that there may not be international consensus to expand the existing U.N. sanctions, despite Tehran's apparent rejection of a confidence-building measure proposed by the U.N.'s nuclear watchdog in hopes of making progress on the nuclear issue.

To that end, the administration is quietly supporting legislation in Congress that would give President Barack Obama a broad new array of authority to target Iran's energy sector by penalizing foreign firms that sell and ship refined petroleum products to Iran. The regime is heavily dependent on gasoline, kerosene and propane imports.

The legislation would also allow the administration to go after insurance and reinsurance concerns that cover oil tankers and their cargo. And the U.S. could also target companies that provide Iran with covert technology used to crack down on protesters and democracy advocates as it did during demonstrations this summer after a disputed national election.

U.S. officials took a neutral public stance on the legislation when it cleared two key congressional panels this week. They were anxious not to endanger ongoing negotiations between the International Atomic Energy Agency and Tehran over a deal that would see most of Iran's low enriched uranium shipped out of the country for reprocessing, handicapping its ability to use the uranium for weapons instead of energy.

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said in an interview with CNN on Friday that the administration wants to let the negotiating process "play out."

THE WORLD BRIEFLY

Stimulus job claims made

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nearly 650,000 jobs have been saved or created under President Barack Obama's economic stimulus plan, the government said Friday, and the White House declared the nation on track to meet the president's goal of 3.5 million by the end of next year.

New job numbers from businesses, contractors, state and local governments, nonprofit groups and universities were released, showing 640,329 positions credited to the stimulus, according to the independent federal board monitoring the program's progress.

Pakistanis protest attacks

ISLAMABAD (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton faced sharp rebukes from Pakistani audiences Friday, including one woman who accused the U.S. of conducting "executions without trial" in aerial drone strikes. Slapping back, Clinton questioned Pakistan's commitment to fighting terrorists.

"Somebody, somewhere in Pakistan must know where these people are," Clinton said in an exchange almost as blunt as her exasperated comments a day earlier that Pakistani officials lacked the will to target al-Qaida.

Her stormy three-day visit, rocked at the start by a terrorist blast in Peshawar that killed 105 Pakistanis, revealed clear signs of strain between the two nations despite months of public insistence that they were on the same wavelength in the war on terror.

Pirates asking for $7 million

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — The BBC said Friday that Somali pirates called the broadcaster to demand $7 million for the release of a British couple whose yacht was hijacked off the coast of Africa.

The British broadcaster cited an unidentified caller as saying the size of the ransom was justified because NATO forces in the area had arrested Somali fishermen and destroyed their equipment.

"If they do not harm us, we will not harm them," the BBC quoted the caller as saying.

'PENNSYLVANIA CASH 5'

No winners in 'Cash 5' jackpot

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Today's "Pennsylvania Cash 5" jackpot will be worth at least $350,000 because no player matched the five winning numbers drawn in Friday's game.

Lottery officials said 87 players matched four numbers and won $261.50 each; 3,185 players matched three numbers and won $12 each; and 40,761 players matched two numbers and won $1 each.

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DAY PICK BIG 4:	4-3-3-9
NIGHT PICK BIG 4:	0-0-5-1
DAY QUINTO:	4-3-7-2-8
NIGHT QUINTO:	3-8-5-2-6
TREASURE HUNT:	02-13-15-23-30
CASH 5:	11-13-16-20-34
SUPER 7:	02-03-15-19-38-43 49-62-67-69-73

OHIO — DAILY NUMBERS
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2009

DAY PICK 3:	2-2-0
NIGHT PICK 3:	8-3-3
DAY PICK 4:	6-5-0-6
NIGHT PICK 4:	5-1-5-5
ROLLING CASH 5:	13-22-30-31-35

WEST VIRGINIA — DAILY NUMBERS
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2009

DAILY 3:	7-9-9
DAILY 4:	6-0-6-0
CASH 25:	04-05-07-09-18-22

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Cheers 'n Jeers

Here is a critical look at some of the events that helped shape life in the Mid-Mon Valley area during the past week:

Legions of costumed children will be roaming the streets of the Mid-Mon Valley this afternoon and tonight. Please use extra caution if you are driving and make sure that Halloween is a day of fun, not of tragedy.

For Roscoe native Mary Beth Buchanan, who will be resigning her post as U.S. Attorney on Nov. 16. Buchanan, appointed to the post by President George W. Bush in 2001, says she is proudest of her efforts to fight sexual abuse of children, drug and gun violence and public corruption.

YOUR OPINION

Healthier foods needed in schools

To the Editor:

A new report just might change what ends up on your child's lunch tray. As a dietitian, I'm thrilled that the Institute of Medicine just issued an extensive report recommending that schools load lunch lines with a variety of fruits, vegetables, beans and whole grains.

Right now, most lunch lines are full of processed meats and cheese products — and more than 80 percent of schools serve too much high-fat food to comply with federal guidelines. But this new report could really turn the tables in cafeterias. It recommends cutting down processed meats, and it joins the American Public Health Association and the American Medical Association in calling for vegetarian school meal options.

We need to ask Congress to revise the Child Nutrition Act to help all schools make these healthy changes in their cafeterias. Sign the petition today at www.HealthySchoolLunches.org.

Kathryn Strong, M.S., R.D.
Staff dietitian
Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine
Washington, D.C.

ANOTHER VIEW

Minot (N.D.) Daily News, on NASA's future missions:

An independent panel created by the Obama administration announced last week that it (surprise!) disagrees with a plan pushed by former President George W. Bush to return to the moon with manned missions.

Instead, the panel members said, NASA should be focusing on new, and presumably more expensive, places to explore, such as nearby asteroids or one of the moons of Mars.

Whatever direction is taken, it's up to NASA officials to prove the billions of dollars being spent on the space program is worth it, especially at a time when those billions could be well-spent on a wide variety of items to help the citizens of this country.

We agree with at least some of the commission's report we see no urgent need to return to the moon. Been there, done that. If Mars is the ultimate objective in the next 20 years, then let's focus on that. Planning another manned mission to the moon only wastes precious time, technology and money.

What will we learn from sending a manned mission to the moon, or one of the many nearby asteroids? What valuable scientific information will mankind gather from such proposed billion-dollar jaunts, and will it be worth the billions invested? The days of launching a mission to do anything simply to say we did it are over or at least they should be. There's far too much money involved.

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Against their interest

Brad **BUMSTED**

Legislation to reduce the size of the General Assembly was debated at the 1968 Constitutional Convention. It didn't pass then and it hasn't passed since because of legislators' self-interest.

No one is willing to give up his or her job.

Sen. David Argall, R-Schuylkill County, is making a run at it. He proposed last week reducing the state House to 153 members and the Senate to 45 members.

Argall, a political scientist by training, provided a carefully thought out plan. Due to the issue of self-interest, Argall proposed a gradual phase out of seats through 2052. To attract votes, he also proposed expanding House members' terms from two to four years.

As you may know by now, Pennsylvania's 253-member General Assembly is the largest full-time Legislature in the nation, where lawmakers make $78,315 annually, get state-paid rental cars if they choose, and collect per diems of up to $163 for food and lodging every time they're in Harrisburg on "official business."

It's a state where politicians aren't finished squabbling over a $27.8 billion state budget that took 101 days to get passed — well, almost passed. They're still $200 million short because they can't agree on legalizing table games at casinos.

Reducing the size of he legislature is important. It's symbolic to a lot of voters. The critics who say it won't save much money are right in the big picture, but wrong in that it could save a few million. To average folks, that's not chump change.

Look for House Minority Whip Mike Turzai, R-Bradford Woods, to be introducing a new measure soon to reduce the size of House districts. It won't deal with the Senate. The Senate would likely never agree to a new Senate size anyway. So he figures let the Senate do its own right-sizing — or not.

Reducing the size of the Legislature is not by any means a bad thing to do. A smaller House might make it more manageable to reach consensus on issues. Larger districts could be problematic, but other states seem to manage.

Rep. Tim Krieger, R-Hempfield Township, is co-sponsoring legislation to return to a part-time Legislature. The proposal calls for two-month sessions and budget approval every two years instead of every year. Currently, there's no time limit on how often the state Legislature can be in session, during which lawmakers pocket per diems. Pennsylvania is considered a year-round Legislature though they take lengthy breaks some summers, over holidays and before elections.

Krieger's idea isn't radical.

Critics say a state as diverse as Pennsylvania with complex problems needs a full-time Legislature. That means for most members, serving in the Legislature is their main job.

But Virginia, another large state with metro areas, a coastline and rural constituencies, somehow manages with 60-day sessions in even years, and 30 days in odd numbered years. Lawmakers there are paid $17,640 in the House and $18,000 in the Senate, according to the Denver-based National Conference of State Legislatures.

Florida, a state with major metropolitan areas, a delicate eco- system, and cataclysmic weather, has a legislature that meets 60 days (emergency sessions can be held) and lawmakers are paid $30,336. Texas' Legislature meets every other year and members are paid $7,200.

Our neighbor, West Virginia, has 60-day sessions and lawmakers are paid $20,000 per year.

In an ideal world, Pennsylvania would reduce the size of its General Assembly and return to part-time status.

But here, there is that self-interest issue.

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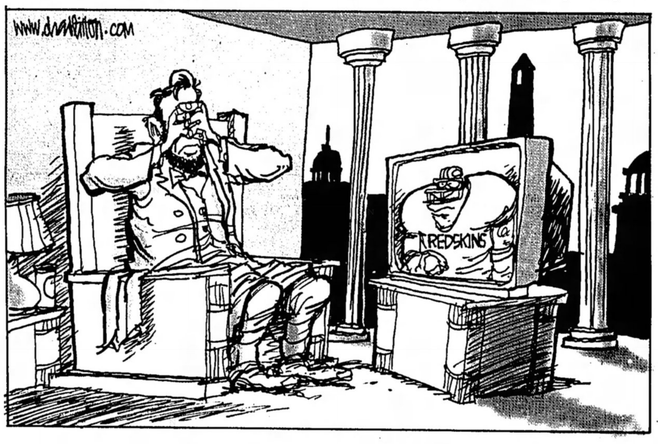

To the Ladies who Lunch

Cokie and Steve **ROBERTS**

RALEIGH, N.C. — October can be a great month for the Ladies who Lunch. The food might not be particularly filling, but the stories of people helped by the women sitting around the tables provide much more substantial satisfaction. That was certainly Cokie's experience at a lunch last week with our daughter in Washington, and one this week with our daughter-in-law in Raleigh as local women's giving circles — great groups of women who band together to better their communities — honored their awardees.

In the nation's capital, the well-established Washington Area Women's Foundation gathered close to 1,200 boisterous women of every race and ethnicity in a downtown hotel ballroom where they were greeted by a local TV anchor, saluted by someone from the White House, entertained by a professionally produced video and inspired by women helped by their largesse. In North Carolina, the fledgling Women's Network assembled a couple of hundred women in a suburban hotel ballroom for a somewhat more subdued, but even more inspiring affair.

More inspiring because that luncheon for hundreds of donors grew out of a casual meal three short years ago when four friends asked, "What can we do to make a real difference?" (They call themselves, "The Four Blondes," confiding, "None of us is a real blonde.")

The answer was plain to see in the faces of the representatives of grant recipients: a clinic serving poor minority women, a center providing mental health services for poor children, a community college helping foster kids move into adulthood, a hospice establishing an after-school program for the children of dying parents.

The grants (of at least $25,000) were huge sums of money for those organizations, and a check for that amount would have been a huge sum for most of the women at the lunch. But by pooling their resources the women in Raleigh, along with their sisters around the country, are able to raise enough money to make a significant impact on the lives of local women and children.

Women have come together to help each other since the beginning of the republic. In the late 18th century, "the ladies of New York" established the Society for the Relief of Poor Widows with Small Children, which provided food, fuel and clothing to hundreds of widows and children. And the early 19th century found African-American women forming organizations like the Colored Female Religious and Moral Society of Salem, Mass., which charged dues of a penny a week as a safety net "for the benefit of the sick and the destitute." And that's the basic model for the giving circles of today.

In different places, different rules apply — in Raleigh, for instance, each woman pledges to give $1,200 a year for five years and every member may vote on which organizations should receive their money — but in essence, they are all the same. Societies for African-American women, Latina women, Asian and Pacific Island women, Hmong women, white women all collect from the group as a whole, bundle the money into sizeable amounts and distribute it in the community, often to programs for women and girls.

Most of these giving circles, which have raised more than $100 million and are now estimated to number some 500 strong, cropped up in the last five to 10 years and they are changing the face of philanthropy in America.

Though the donors might be listed in a program somewhere, these are essentially anonymous gifts. They don't come from Mrs. Sally Smith. they come from the women of the community.

"Women are looking for relevance, not tax deductions. They want to serve in some way," says Town & Country magazine editor Pamela Fiori who has become an expert on women's philanthropy, "they feel it's their obligation and responsibility." Unlike traditional philanthropists, (read "men") it's not their names on a plaque these women want to see but the smile of the new homeowner helped by one of the programs they fund who jokes, "I don't hang out with renters anymore."

A study conducted by the universities of Indiana and Nebraska released earlier this year reveals that women's giving circles are providing the relevance donors are seeking. The findings show that members of these groups are "highly engaged in their communities," that they "give more and more strategically than other donors" that they "give to areas less often funded by organized philanthropy," and that "they are providing creative opportunities for new ways to give."

So there's much to celebrate here, ladies. Enjoy your lunch.

TV & ENTERTAINMENT

Don't forget batteries when 'falling back'

Dear **ABBY**

DEAR ABBY: As a fire officer, I have seen far too many families fall victim to accidental home fires. It is devastating to find out that a life could have been saved if someone had only taken that simple step of replacing a dead battery in a smoke alarm. Nearly 96 percent of American homes have at least one smoke alarm. But did you know that 19 percent of American homes lack a working smoke alarm because the batteries are missing or dead?

For 22 years, the International Association of Fire Chiefs and Energizer have been committed to changing this statistic through the "Change Your Clock Change Your Battery" campaign. This partnership encourages families to change the battery in their smoke alarms when they set their clocks back an hour on Nov. 1. This message also serves as a reminder to communities nationwide to change the batteries in their carbon monoxide detectors.

As winter approaches, more people will begin using gas appliances to heat their homes and may find themselves at risk of carbon monoxide poisoning, called the "silent killer" because this gas is colorless, odorless and tasteless.

Thank you, Abby, for helping us spread this lifesaving message to your readers. — **JEFFREY D. JOHNSON, PRESIDENT, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS**

DEAR JEFF: I'm glad to help, and I know my readers are grateful for your timely reminder. It may seem like a menial task, but safeguarding yourselves and your families is extremely important — so change those batteries this weekend!

DEAR ABBY: For the last two years I have been going out with a guy I'll call "Ricky." My problem is I don't love him anymore. A few weeks ago I told him I no longer wanted to be with him, and he started crying. He scared me when he said his life was in my hands.

Abby, I want to end it. Ricky suffocates me. He's depressed because his mom works and doesn't have time for him. His dad doesn't live with them, so Ricky feels he has only me to talk to. He wants to marry me, and I don't want to lie and say I will. It disturbs me that he still wants to be together even though he knows I'm not happy with him. He believes that if he's happy, I will be, too. Please tell me what do. — **TROUBLE IN SALINAS, CALIF.**

DEAR TROUBLED: I'm sure the news that you wanted to break up was painful for Ricky to hear — hence the tears — but saying his life is in your hands was a form of emotional blackmail. For your sake, please don't fall for it.

Ricky appears to be needy and immature. Call his mother, tell her that you are ending the relationship and that he isn't taking it well. She's in a better position to see he gets emotional and psychological support than you are.

DEAR ABBY: My best friend, "Heather," is trying to trick her husband into having another child. They already have one, but he doesn't think they can handle two.

They have been fighting about this, and it has created problems in their marriage. Heather confided to me recently that she is going to stop using birth control "just to see what will happen," and I'm pretty sure she's not going to tell her husband first.

I wish I didn't know. But now that I do, I'm not sure where my responsibilities lie. Should I tell him, or keep my mouth shut and act surprised when Heather gets pregnant? — **KNOWS TOO MUCH IN BETHESDA**

DEAR KNOWS TOO MUCH: This is your best friend. You should tell Heather that she's making a serious mistake. What she is doing is dishonest, underhanded, and could be the final straw that breaks her marriage apart. And yes, you should tip him off. If it isn't already too late, he may want to take precautions.

SATURDAY EVENING — OCTOBER 31, 2009

	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30	11PM	11:30	12AM	12:30	1AM	1:30	2AM	2:30
CBS 2 KDKA 7 WTRF 10 WTAJ	(3:30) College Football Florida vs. Georgia. From Jacksonville, Fla. (Live)		2 News 7 News Weekend 10 Inside Edition	2 The Insider 7 Inside Edition Weekend 10 Two and a Half Men	CSI: Miami "Divorce Party" The CSI team makes a shocking discovery about its murder victim.		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "One to Go" Grissom announces that he is leaving. (DVS)		48 Hours Mystery "Death Wish" Authorities investigate whether a woman committed suicide or was murdered. (N)		2 KDKA-TV News at 11 7 News 10 WTAJ News at 11	2 (:35) Steelers Huddle 7 CSI: NY "Veritas" 10 (:35) At the Movies	2 10 (12:05) CSI: NY "Veritas"	7 CSI: Miami "One of Our Own"	2 (:05) Cold Case 10 (:05) Without a Trace	7 Desperate Housewives "Children and Art"	2 (:05) Made in Hollywood (N) 10 (:05) Wild About Animals	2 (:35) Paid Program 7 House 10 (:35) The American Athlete (N)
ABC 4 WTAE 23 WATM	(3:30) College Football Regional Coverage. (Live)		4 Channel 4 Action News (N) 23 Jeopardy!	4 Inside Edition 23 Wheel-Fortune	College Football Regional Coverage. Texas at Oklahoma State or USC at Oregon. (Live)							4 Ch. 4 News 23 News	4 Monk 23 Outdoorsman-Buck McNeely	23 (:35) Grey's Anatomy "Deny, Deny, Deny"	4 (:05) At the Movies (N)	4 (:35) Access Hollywood (N) 23 (:35) Legend of the Seeker "Fever"		4 (:35) Boston Legal 23 (:35) Paid Program
NBC 6 WJAC 9 WTOV 11 WPXI	6 WJAC-TV News (N) 9 News (N) 11 Channel 11 News (N)	NBC Nightly News (N)	6 Judge Judy 9 Wheel of Fortune 11 Jerome Bettis Show		College Football Notre Dame vs. Washington State. From San Antonio. (Live)						6 WJAC-TV News 9 News 11 Ch. 11 News	(:29) Saturday Night Live Ryan Reynolds; Lady Gaga.			6 (:03) Cops 9 (:03) Cash Explosion 11 (:03) Jerome Bettis Show	6 (:33) NASCAR Angels 9 (:33) Lost 11 (:33) Cops	6 Cold Case Files "Under a Spell; Justice for Lisa" 11 (:03) Cops	9 (:33) Friends 11 (:33) Judge Judy
FOX 8 WWCP 53 WPGH	8 The King of Queens 53 Two and a Half Men	8 Seinfeld 53 Friends	8 Everybody Loves Raymond 53 Friends	MLB Baseball World Series, Game 3 -- New York Yankees at Philadelphia Phillies. From Citizens Bank Park in Philadelphia. (Live)						8 Postgame 53 Paid Program	8 News 53 Talkshow With Spike	8 Talkshow With Spike Feresten	53 Sit Down, Shut Up "Miracle's Are Real"	8 Sit Down, Shut 53 Bose-Theater	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	8 Paid Prog 53 RightSide With Armstrong
13 WQED	Antiques Roadshow "Unique Antiques"		The Lawrence Welk Show "Halloween Party"		Keeping Up Appearances	Are You Being Served?	As Time Goes By	Yes, Prime Minister	The Red Green Show	Excellent Adventures	Austin City Limits "M. Ward; Okkervil River" (N)		Trans-Siberian Orchestra: Christmas Eve		Beautiful World With Jim Brickman Pianist Jim Brickman performs romantic tunes at Casino Niagara.			
19 WPCW	Without a Trace A doctor disappears from a hospital.		CSI: Miami "One of Our Own"		House A patient wants to end his life.		Steelers Saturday Night		10 O'Clock News	The Nightly Sports Call	Steelers TV	Legend of the Seeker "Sanctuary"	The Office		★★★ "Bram Stoker's Dracula" (1992) Gary Oldman, Winona Ryder. The vampire count seeks his lost love.			
22 WPMY	Hates Chris	'70s Show	Family Guy	Family Guy	★ "Idle Hands" (1999) Devon Sawa, Seth Green.				News	'70s Show	Paid Prog	Paid Prog	Paid Prog	It's Alive! Join your house.			Paid Prog	Paid Prog
40 WPCB	Something Fresh		Influence	Jewish Voice	Ambition	Born to Free	Diary of Revival		Van Impe	Quick Study	Wisdom	ATF.tv	Greater Works Outreach		Theater	Rochouse	Manna-Fest	Gospel Truth
59 WBGN	American Idol Rewind (N)		ReGenesis "Faint Hope"		Stargate Atlantis		The Outer Limits		It's Alive!				Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
A&E	Extreme Paranormal		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds "Poison"		CSI: Miami		CSI: Miami		(12:01) Criminal Minds		(:01) Criminal Minds		(:01) CSI: Miami	
ABCFAM	(4:00) ★★★ "Batman"		★★ "Batman Returns" (1992, Action) Michael Keaton, Danny DeVito.						★★ "Batman Forever" (1995, Action) Val Kilmer, Tommy Lee Jones.						Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Paid Prog	Paid Prog
AMC	★★★ "Night of the Living Dead" (1968) Duane Jones.				(:15) ★★★ "Night of the Living Dead" (1968, Horror) Duane Jones.					★★★ "Night of the Living Dead" (1968) Duane Jones.				(:45) ★★★ "Night of the Living Dead" (1968, Horror) Duane Jones.				
ANPL	After the Attack		It's Me or the Dog		SuperFetch	SuperFetch	Dogs 101 (N)		Dogs 101 Traits.		Dogs 101		SuperFetch	SuperFetch	Dogs 101 Traits.		It's Me or the Dog	
BBC	Top Gear		Torchwood "Out of Time"		Robin Hood (N)		Robin Hood (N)		The Graham Norton Show		Robin Hood		Robin Hood		The Graham Norton Show		Robin Hood	
BET	The Game	The Game	Monica: Still "Frankenhood" (2009) DeRay Davis. Premiere.						★★★ "Coming to America" (1988) Eddie Murphy, Arsenio Hall.				"Frankenhood" (2009) DeRay Davis, Jasper Redd.				The Game	The Game
BRAVO	Real Housewives-Atlanta		Real Housewives-Atlanta		Real Housewives-Atlanta		13 Scarier Movie Moments		★★ "Hannibal" (2001, Suspense) Anthony Hopkins, Julianne Moore, Ray Liotta.						★★ "Hannibal" (2001) Anthony Hopkins.			
CMT	★★★ "The Longest Yard" (1974) Burt Reynolds.				World's Strictest Parents		Cheer	World's Strictest Parents		Cheer	Extreme Makeover: Home	Road Pranks	Cheer		Cheer		Cheer	World's Strictest Parents
CNBC	Paid Prog	Paid Prog	Biography on CNBC		American Greed		The Suze Orman Show (N)		Big Mac: Inside		American Greed		The Suze Orman Show		The NEW Age of Wal-Mart		Paid Prog	Paid Prog
CNN	Situation Room-Wolf Blitzer		Newsroom		Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Larry King Live	
COM	"Tenacious D"		★★★ "Scary Movie" (2000) Shawn Wayans.				★★ "Scary Movie 3" (2003, Comedy) Anna Faris.				★ "Broken Lizard's Club Dread" (2004) Bill Paxton.				(:15) ★★ "Tenacious D in: The Pick of Destiny" (2006)			
CSPAN	President	Commun.	America & the Courts		American Perspectives						American Perspectives						C-SPAN Weekend	
DISC	Nazi UFO Conspiracy		County Jail: Miami		County Jail: Miami		Gang Wars: Oakland I		Gang Wars: Oakland II		County Jail: Las Vegas		Gang Wars: Oakland I		Gang Wars: Oakland II		Paid Prog	Paid Prog
DISNEY	Return	(:20) "Twitches" (2005) Tia Mowry.			"Twitches Too" (2007) Tia Mowry.				(:35) "Mostly Ghostly" (2008) Sterling Beaumon.			That's-Raven	Zack & Cody	Cory	Replace	Kim Possible	★★ "Under Wraps"	
E!	20 Most Horrifying Hollywood Murders Murders.				"Bring It On: All or Nothing" (2006) Hayden Panettiere.				True Hollywood Story		The Soup	Chelsea	"Bring It On: All or Nothing" (2006) Hayden Panettiere.				Paid Prog	Paid Prog
ESPN	College Football			(:45) College Football South Carolina at Tennessee. (Live)						(:45) SportsCenter (Live)					SportsCenter (Live)			
ESPNC	College Basketball		College Basketball: 1985 Georgetown vs. Villanova				Boxing		2007 World Series of Poker		2007 World Series of Poker		2007 World Series of Poker		2007 World Series of Poker			
ESPN2	Football	Scoreboard	Scoreboard		(:07) College Football Texas at Oklahoma State or USC at Oregon. (Live)							NHRA Drag Racing Las Vegas Nationals -- Qualifying.			Baseball Tonight (Live)			
EWTN	Worth Living	Virtue	Mother Angelica-Classic		Teresa de Jesús St. Teresa of Avila.				Fr. John Corapi		The Journey Home		Daily Mass: Our Lady		What Every Catholic Needs		Brother	Him Father
FNC	America's News HQ		FOX Report		Huckabee		Glenn Beck		Geraldo at Large		Jrnl Edit. Rpt	News Watch	Red Eye		Geraldo at Large		FOX Report	
FOOD	The Next Iron Chef		Cakes	Cakes	Cake & Candy Cook-Off		Challenge Gingerbread.		Challenge "Horror Cakes"		Iron Chef America		Challenge Gingerbread.		Challenge "Horror Cakes"		Iron Chef America	
FSN	Raw Tapes	Raw Tapes	Pens Faceoff	NHL Hockey Minnesota Wild at Pittsburgh Penguins. (Live)					Penguins	Final Score	Raw Tapes	Final Score	World Poker		Final Score	SportsBeat Rewind Chuck Noll.		
FX	★★ "Halloween H20: 20 Years Later" (1998, Horror)				★★ "Ghost Rider" (2007, Action) Nicolas Cage, Eva Mendes, Wes Bentley.						Sunny	The League	(12:06) Damages		(:06) Damages		Paid Prog	Paid Prog
GOLF	PGA Tour Golf: Champions		Golf Central	PGA Tour Golf	Viking Classic -- Third Round.				PGA Tour Golf: Champions		European PGA Tour Golf Barclays Singapore Open -- Final Round. (Live)							
GSN	1 vs. 100		Deal or No Deal		Family Feud	Family Feud	Deal or No Deal		1 vs. 100		Newlywed	Catch 21	Deal or No Deal		Be a Millionaire		1 vs. 100	
HALL	"Good Witch"		"The Good Witch" (2008, Drama) Catherine Bell.				"The Good Witch's Garden" (2009) Catherine Bell.				"Bailey's Mistake" (2001) Linda Hamilton.				Walker, Texas Ranger		Walker, Texas Ranger	
HGTV	To Sell	Income Prop.	For Rent	House	Divine	Genevieve	Color Splash	Color Splash	House	House	House	House	Color Splash	Color Splash	House	House	That Halloween House	
HIST	MonsterQuest		Modern Marvels		MonsterQuest "Abominable Snowman"				The Real Wolfman Investigating lycanthropy.				(12:01) MonsterQuest "Abominable Snowman"				(:01) The Real Wolfman	
LIFE	(5:00) "Homecoming"		★★ "Wind Chill" (2007) Emily Blunt, Ashton Holmes.				★★ "Vacancy" (2007, Suspense) Luke Wilson.				Medium		★★ "The Dark" (2005) Maria Bello, Sean Bean.				Paid Prog	Paid Prog
MSNBC	Murder in the Moonlight				Caught on Camera		Lockup		Lockup "Miami-Dade"		Caught on Camera		Lockup		Lockup "Miami-Dade"		Caught on Camera	
MTV	Ulalume		"My Super Psycho Sweet Sixteen" (2009) Julianna Guill.		★★★ "Scream 3" (2000, Horror) David Arquette, Neve Campbell.						★ "Halloween: Resurrection" (2002) Jamie Lee Curtis.				★★ "My Super Psycho Sweet Sixteen" (2009) Julianna Guill.			
NICK	iCarly	iCarly	iCarly	iCarly	iCarly	Jackson	The Troop	iCarly	Glenn Martin	Malcolm	Lopez	Lopez	Hates Chris	Glenn Martin	Malcolm	Malcolm	Roseanne	Roseanne
OXY	America's Next Top Model		America's Next Top Model		★★ "Enough" (2002, Suspense) Jennifer Lopez, Billy Campbell.						★★ "Enough" (2002, Suspense) Jennifer Lopez, Billy Campbell.				★★ "The Amityville Horror" (2005) Ryan Reynolds.			
PCN	Elec 2009	Elec 2009	Elec 2009	Elec 2009	Elec 2009	Elec 2009	High School Football Slippery Rock vs. Wilmington.				High School Football Bishop McDevitt vs. State College.				Deutsche Welle News		Deutsche Welle	
PCNC	PCNC News		PCNC News	Ch Batch	NAACP Dinner		PCNC News	Mike Tomlin	Best of Pittsburgh Now		Ch Batch	PCNC News	Paid Prog	PCNC News	Paid Prog	Paid Prog	PCNC News	PCNC News
SPIKE	(4:57) ★★ "Trading Places" (1983)				(:32) ★★ "Phone Booth" (2002, Suspense) Colin Farrell.				(:29) ★★★ "Bad Santa" (2003) Billy Bob Thornton.		(:29) ★★★ "Bad Santa" (2003) Billy Bob Thornton.				★★ "The Hills Have Eyes" (2006)			
SYFY	Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters Halloween Live Countdown The top five scariest episodes voted by viewers. (Live)												Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters	
TBS	King	Seinfeld	★★ "You, Me and Dupree" (2006) Owen Wilson.				★★★ "Music and Lyrics" (2007) Hugh Grant.				(:05) ★★ "Cheaper by the Dozen" (2003) Steve Martin.				(:05) ★★★ "Jerry Maguire" (1996) Tom Cruise.			
TCM	Cat People	★★★ "The Curse of the Cat People"			★★★ "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" (1941) Spencer Tracy.				★★ "Murders in the Zoo"		(:15) ★★★ "The Body Snatcher" (1945)		(:45) ★★ "Circus of Horrors" (1960)				Dr Jekyll	Son-Dr.Jekyll
TLC	Pregnant	Pregnant	Pregnant	Pregnant	Pregnant	Pregnant	Pregnant	Pregnant	Little Couple	Little Couple	Pregnant	Pregnant	Pregnant	Pregnant	Little Couple	Little Couple	Pregnant	Pregnant
TNT	(5:30) ★★★ "Air Force One" (1997) Harrison Ford.				★★★ "Ocean's Eleven" (2001) George Clooney, Matt Damon.				★★★ "The Bourne Supremacy" (2004) Matt Damon.				★★★ "Mission: Impossible III" (2006, Action) Tom Cruise.					
TOON	"Haunting Hour: Don't"		Scary Godmother: Revenge		★★★ "The Witches" (1990, Fantasy) Anjelica Huston.				King of Hill	King of Hill	The PJs	Boondocks	Boondocks	Bleach (N)	Bleach (N)	Alchemist	Death Note	Ghost
TRAVEL	(5:00) Ghost Adventures Live! Paranormal investigation at the Trans-Allegheny Lunatic Asylum.												Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Houses For	Net Millions
TRUTV	Most Shocking			Most Shocking	Top 20 Most Shocking (N)		World's Dumbest...		Most Shocking		Forensic	Forensic	The Investigators		The Investigators		Forensic	Forensic
TVLAND	Sanford	Sanford	Sanford	Sanford	Sanford	Sanford	Sanford	Sanford	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby Show	Cosby Show
USA	NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		Law Order: CI		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		"Foreigner 2: Black Dawn"	
VH1	Tool Academy		My Antonio		★★ "Footloose" (1984, Drama) Kevin Bacon, Lori Singer.					Real Chance of Love			Tool Academy		Scream Queens		Scream Queens	
VS.	College Football UNLV at Texas Christian.			Bucked	Bull Riding PBR.		Bull Riding PBR Built Ford Tough World Finals. From Las Vegas. (Live)					Bucked	Bull Riding PBR Built Ford Tough World Finals. From Las Vegas.					
WE	(5:00) ★★★ "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze.				The Locator	The Locator	The Locator	The Locator	★★★ "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore, Whoopi Goldberg.						The Locator	The Locator	Amazing Wedding Cakes	
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COMICS

CATHY® by Cathy Guisewite

BOO!
CUTE!
CACKLE!
CUTE!
ROAR!
CUTE!
MY IN-LAWS WHO HAVENT MOVED OUT BY HALLOWEEN, GET TO STAY PUT UNTIL NEW YEAR'S BECAUSE IT WOULD BE TOO PITIFUL TO EVICT THEM DURING THE HOLIDAYS!
AACK!!!
NOTHING TERRIFIES LIKE REAL LIFE.

GARFIELD® by Jim Davis

I JUST SPENT A WEEK WATCHING BAD HORROR MOVIES
SEVEN WHOLE DAYS, UTTERLY, TOTALLY, COMPLETELY WASTED
WHAT'S WITH THE TRIUMPHANT POSE?
IF I TOLD YOU, I'D JUST BE BRAGGING
DAILY DAYS 10/31

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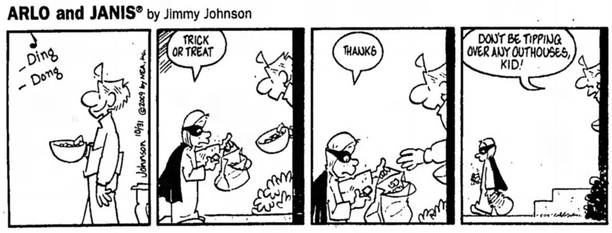

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ARE YOU THE "GREAT PUMPKIN"?
NO, I'M YOUR KID BROTHER WITH A SHEET OVER MY HEAD..
I FORGOT TO CUT OUT THE EYE HOLES SO I HAVE NO IDEA WHERE I'M GOING..
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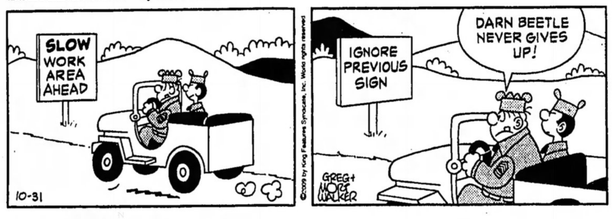


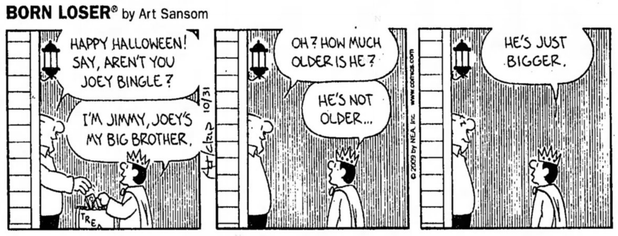
HI & LOIS® by Mort Walker and Dick Browne

WE SHOULD START RAKING BEFORE THE LEAVES GET TOO DEEP.
WE SHOULD WAIT UNTIL THEY ALL FALL AND JUST RAKE ONCE.
10-31
I SEE THE YARD AS HALF FULL.
I SEE IT AS HALF EMPTY.
BROWNE

GRIZZWELLS® by Bill Schorr

WARREN, IN YOUR TRAVELS, HAVE YOU EVER ACTUALLY KNOWN ANY BOBTAILED NAGS ?
YOU BETCHA
FACT IS, THAT'S THE NUMBER ONE REASON I ALWAYS RUN FROM MARRIAGE

BORN LOSER® by Art Sansom


HAPPY HALLOWEEN! SAY, AREN'T YOU JOEY BINGLE ?
I'M JIMMY, JOEY'S MY BIG BROTHER.
OH ? HOW MUCH OLDER IS HE ?
HE'S NOT OLDER...
HE'S JUST BIGGER.

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"I'm Old Father Time. I'm here to remind you to set your clocks back, except in Arizona, Hawaii, Puerto Rico..."

BIG NATE® by Lincolin Peirce

OH HO! THE CAT LADY'SH HOUSHE!
WE'RE SKIPPING THIS ONE.
WHAT? BUT SHE MIGHT HAVE SHCRUMPTIOUSH CANDY!
PETER, I'M THE CHAPERONE HERE, AND I SAY WE'RE SKIP-
MYOW!
GAH!
YOUR CHAPERONE SHKILLSH SHTINK.
MUST THEY ALWAYS SNEAK UP LIKE THAT?

MARK TRAIL® by Jack Elrod

SASSY, WHILE WANDERING THROUGH THE SWAMP, SEES A DEER AND RUSHES TO MAKE FRIENDS...
JACK ELROD
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BUT THE STARTLED FAWN AND HER MOTHER QUICKLY TAKE FLIGHT
S-H-H-H-H... DID YOU HEAR THAT?

SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Conceptis Sudoku By Dave Green

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The Valley Independent Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Polite address
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20 Lemony drink
21 Cloud backdrop
22 Winter wear
25 Mantra chants
28 Toronto Blue —
29 Coffee brewers
33 Dress feature
35 Hiker's path
36 From Japan
37 Salty
38 Back muscles
39 Opposed
41 Morning moisture
42 Soup servers
45 Teahouse attire
48 Visualize
49 Punk hairdo feature
52 Argues
55 Steakhouse order
57 Ivory source
58 High peak
59 Sheik colleague
60 "Beetle Bailey" dog
61 Octopus abode
62 DC figures

DOWN

1 Scratch
2 Knighted Guinness
3 Bombay nanny
4 Mrs. Eisenhower
5 Morticia's cousin
6 Peanut butter choice
7 Krishna devotees
8 Misfortune
9 Is incorrect
10 Scallion kin
11 Small boat
17 Dict. entry
19 Louisiana cuisine
23 Meadow grazer
24 Roll tightly
25 Whitish gem
26 Phoenix neighbor
27 Rod for broiling
30 Plunder
31 Number of Muses
32 Vast number
34 Hold out
35 Pollute
37 Sault — Marie
39 Wrestling venues
40 Haystack find?
43 Take advantage of
44 More certain
45 Eight, to Caesar
46 Prize fight
47 Prof.
50 Recognition
51 Vacation jaunt
53 Sugar Ray stat
54 Mineral spring
56 Um cousins

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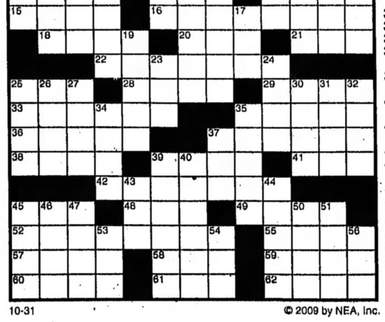

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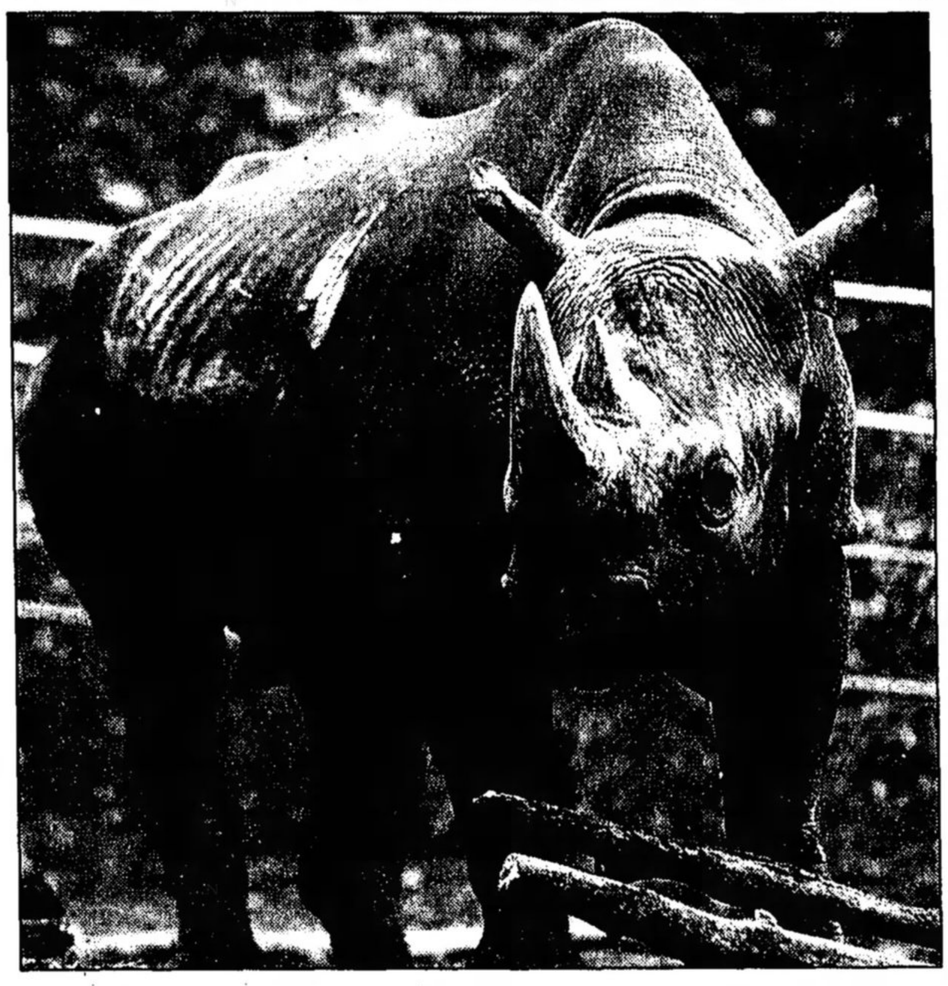

Jomo, a 14-year-old black rhino, remains solitary Friday in his habitat at the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium. The zoo announced Jomo and Azzizi, a 10-year-old female black rhino, may soon be mating.

Keith Hodan/For The Valley Independent

Rhino romance in air

The endangered animals are expected to breed soon at the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium.

By BILL ZLATOS
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Visitors to the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium soon might see rhinos Azzizi and Jomo running around, grunting, nipping at and ramming each other with four tons combined of blood and flesh.

Ain't love grand?

Zoo officials said Friday these activities, all part of the mating ritual, could lead to the first black rhinoceros born there in nearly 30 years.

"Their courtship is very rambunctious and exciting," said Barbara Baker, president and CEO of the zoo. "The male will run the female around, and she'll run the male around.

"They grunt and roar, and they make all kind of noises in the normal courtship process. They ram and butt heads. They're built like tanks, and they're in great shape. We hope they don't hurt each other, but there's that chance."

Pittsburgh's breeding opportunity resulted from a recommendation by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums Species Survival Plan.

Black rhinos are a critically endangered species, according to Ann Petric, who coordinates the species survival program for black rhinos on behalf of the association.

She said there are 101 rhinos in captivity in the United States, compared to 4,240 in Africa.

The main threat is poaching for their horns, which are used as a fever reducer, pain reliever and aphrodisiac.

"There are so few of them in the wild and the numbers are severely limited, and they're under constant threat," she said.

"We have to be vigilant to protect the wild and captive populations for future generations to see them."

Pittsburgh zoo staff and Thomas Hildebrandt, a reproduction expert at the Leibniz Institute for Zoo and Wildlife Research in Berlin, performed an ultrasound that confirmed Azzizi, a 10-year-old female, can breed.

Her partner, Jomo, is 14. On Oct. 16, one of the rhinos bit the thumb of a handler, causing a flesh wound. The zoo won't identify which animal caused the injury. Rhinos weigh about 4,500 pounds.

Because rhino mating is not for the weak, staff gave Azzizi vitamin E shots to ease any muscle soreness.

She will go in heat sometime next week.

Vernon, DeHaas square off in Fayette judge race

Both candidates have practiced for decades at the bar.

By LIZ ZEMBA
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The two candidates for judge in Fayette County are wooing voters with their respective years of experience practicing law.

Republican Ernest P. DeHaas III and Democrat Nancy Vernon are seeking a 10-year term as Common Pleas judge. DeHaas established his reputation in civil practice. Vernon is known for her work as district attorney.

DeHaas, 62, has practiced law for 36 years. He began his career as a criminal defense attorney, but he later entered private practice as a partner with the Uniontown law firm Radcliffe & DeHaas.

Vernon, 54, began her 30-year career in civil law, but she has spent the past 13 years prosecuting criminal cases.

DeHaas said he gained courtroom experience as a criminal defense attorney early in his career before moving into private practice.

"Both of us have experience in the courtroom," DeHaas said. "However, my experience both in the courtroom and outside the courtroom is much broader. I have handled many kinds of civil cases that she has not."

Those cases include school and labor law, DeHaas said.

Vernon said her work as district attorney, combined with her previous private practice handling divorces, real estate law, child custody and other civil matters, has better prepared her for the bench.

"I'm prepared to assume the bench and take on all of the requirements of a judge immediately," Vernon said.

"I understand sentencing guidelines. I'm well-versed in all of the laws, as it pertains to the constitutional rights evoked by criminal defendants, and I believe I stand alone in that much experience to sit on the bench."

DeHaas said extensive work in criminal law is not needed to take the bench.

"While her service as district attorney is important in that it gave her trial experience, the statistics concerning that really are meaningless," DeHaas said. "Many of the judges in this county have served in the district attorney's office, including serving as district attorney, but that is not the case in most counties. Even in this county, some of our best and most respected judges never served as district attorney."

Vernon said it's no coincidence that most of the county's sitting judges either served as district attorney or worked in the office.

"I believe that it is the best training ground to serve one as judge, because the majority of the cases that the court sits and listens to are criminal cases," Vernon said.

"I would approximate 40 percent are civil where they have to sit and judge those areas of law, so I believe that I am the most experienced when it comes to trial work."

The two candidates are seeking to fill the post that will be vacated by President Judge Conrad B. Capuzzi, who is nearing the mandatory retirement age of 70.

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No-knead bread for your needs

Make-it-yourself baking project touted in new cookbook.

By PERVAIZ SHALLWANI
For The Associated Press

For physician Jeffrey Hertzberg and baker Zoe Francois, the journey to no-knead bread began innocently enough.

While their toddlers learned to play the xylophone in a Minneapolis music class, Hertzberg began telling Francois about his no-knead, 5-minute mix of flour, salt, yeast and water.

Made in large batches, the dough can be refrigerated for weeks and baked one loaf at a time by simply cutting off a piece, letting it rise, shaping and baking. Trained in traditional methods, Francois was skeptical, but she saw promise in the chemistry Hertzberg was selling: a wetter-than-average dough that was easier to handle and simple to work with.

This month, the duo is releasing their second book on no-knead bread, joined by tomes from two fellow bread pioneers.

Bread has followed a rocky path in American culture of late. Demonized during the low-carb craze of the 1990s, bread resurfaced as the darling of the artisanal movement. The desire to have those fancy and healthy loaves at home spawned interest in low- and no-knead bread baking methods.

"I think there is a real interest lately in do-it-yourself projects and bread falls in that," says Karen Bornarth, head of the bread department at The French Culinary Institute in New York. "Supermarket breads or commercial breads, if you read the labels they are filled with preservatives. There are not a lot of bakeries out there. Bakeries are dying. So if (people) want good bread, they have to make it themselves."

Trained at the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y., Francois embraced Hertzberg's method after checking it out herself.

"When I tried it, it really was revolutionary, and was mind boggling because it went against everything I had been taught," she said. "Everybody had to know about this."

The first book from the two, "Artisan Bread in Five Minutes a Day" (Thomas Dunne Books, 2007), was well received and has 200,000 copies in print. This month, they release "Healthy Breads in Five Minutes a Day." Two other no- or low-knead bread bakers also put out books in October: Jim Lahey with "My Bread" (W.W. Norton & Co.) and Peter Reinhart (who pledges ease more than outright no-knead) with "Artisan Breads Everyday" (Ten Speed Press).

To those counting the minutes, no-knead bread doesn't really take just five minutes. The reference refers to the time it takes to mix ingredients, not taking into account resting time and baking. But critics and proponents agree it's a vast improvement over the laborious process of making artisan breads using classic methods — kneading and rising, with starters to consider for sourdough or rye.

"I am fine going on record saying this five-minute thing is silly," says cookbook author Mark Bittman. "It's just marketing, but it doesn't detract from the fact that it is a good technique and a good idea. I think to the extent that you can take kneading out of bread making it's great. Kneading is a mess."

The books all preach the same basic principles: make it simple.

"The books are accessible to people who have never baked bread," Hertzberg says. "The key to our books is that if you don't teach people how to store it, they are not going to do it often. It's giving people the freedom to create a bread that fits in their diet or the way they eat."

In their new book, Hertzberg and Francois have gone one step further, meeting the needs of people who have approached them about baking breads that use less sugar, healthy grains, fruits and vegetables, and are friendly to those with allergies or food sensitivities.

Figuring out how to simplify healthy breads is exactly how Hertzberg and Francois have spent most of their free time during the last year. They live in southwest Minneapolis across from each other on Lake Harriet. Each spends a good part of their day baking several loaves. For both books, they have used the same trial and error method, simplifying without compromising quality.

For healthier breads, they agonized over how to incorporate spelt flour, which is lower in gluten. They struggled to figure out how to substitute for the fluffiness of eggs and the right amount of canola oil needed to replace butter.

The way the bread feels in the mouth was of primary importance.

"In this book, we wanted to have that same sensation, but have it be healthier," Francois said.

To achieve taste and feel for gluten-free breads, for example, Francois turned to xanthan gum, which "mimics the gluten."

"To try and get those flours to mimic what people want in a mouth feel was a challenge," she says. "It was a lot of sleepless nights and frustration, and then we got it."

Artisanal breads the easy way

By The Associated Press

This delicious bread from Peter Reinhart's "Artisan Breads Every Day" is studded with wild rice and onions and requires just a few minutes of kneading. It can be made into sandwich loaves, baguettes, round loaves or rolls. Fresh or dried onions can be used. If you use dried, add an extra 2 to 4 tablespoons of water while mixing.

Wild Rice and Onion Bread

Start to finish: About 18 hours (20 minutes active)
Makes 2 large loaves or many rolls
6 cups unbleached bread flour
2 1/4 teaspoons table salt, or 3 1/2 teaspoons coarse kosher salt
2 tablespoons instant yeast
1 cup cooked wild rice or another cooked grain
1/4 cup brown sugar
1 1/2 cups lukewarm water (about 95 F)
1/2 cup lukewarm buttermilk or any other milk (about 95 F)
1/4 cup minced or chopped dried onions, or 2 cups diced fresh yellow onion (about 1 large onion)
1 egg white, for egg wash (optional)
1 tablespoon water, for egg wash (optional)

In a large bowl, combine all ingredients except the egg white and 1 tablespoon water for the egg wash. If using a mixer, use the paddle attachment and mix on the lowest speed for 1 minute. If mixing by hand, use a large spoon and stir for 1 minute. The dough should be sticky, coarse and shaggy. Let the dough rest for 5 minutes.

Switch to the dough hook and mix on medium-low speed, or continue mixing by hand, for 4 minutes, adding flour or water as needed to keep the dough ball together. The dough should be soft, supple and slightly sticky.

Associated Press

This wild rice and onion bread is an easy at-home artisanal creation.

Transfer the dough to a lightly floured work surface. Knead for 2 to 3 minutes, adding more flour as needed to prevent sticking. The dough will still be soft and slightly sticky, but will hold together to form a soft, supple ball.

Place the dough in a clean, lightly oiled bowl, cover the bowl tightly with plastic wrap and immediately refrigerate overnight or for up to 4 days. If you plan to bake the dough in batches over different days, you can portion the dough and place it into two or more oiled bowls at this stage.)

When ready to bake, remove the dough from the refrigerator about 2 hours before you plan to bake.

Shape the dough into one or more sandwich loaves or into freestanding loaves of any size, which you can shape as batards, baguettes or boules, or into rolls.

When shaping, use only as much flour as necessary to keep the dough from sticking. For sandwich loaves, let the dough rise in greased loaf pans. For freestanding loaves and rolls, line a sheet pan with parchment paper or a silicone mat and let the dough rise on the pan.

Mist the top of the dough with spray oil and cover loosely with plastic wrap. Let the dough rise at room temperature for 1 1/2 to 2 hours, until increased to about 1 1/2 times its original size. In loaf pans, the dough should dome at least 1 inch above the rim.

To make the rolls shinier, whisk the egg white and water together, brush the tops of the rolls with the egg wash before baking.

About 15 minutes before baking, heat the oven to 350 F, or 300 F for a convection oven.

Bake the loaves for 10 to 15 minutes, then rotate the pan; rotate rolls after 8 minutes. The total baking time is 45 to 55 minutes for loaves, and 20 to 25 minutes for rolls.

The bread is done when it has a rich golden color, the loaf sounds hollow when thumped on the bottom, and the internal temperature is above 185 F at the center. Cool on a wire rack for at least 20 minutes for rolls or 1 hour for loaves before slicing.

Associated Press

The versatile rub on these toasted cumin and rosemary rubbed lamb chops also goes nicely on skinless chicken breast.

Cumin, rosemary flavor lamb chops

By J.M. HIRSCH
AP Food Editor

These simple but well-seasoned lamb chops are a weeknight kitchen dream. They are packed with flavor thanks to a quick toasting of cumin seeds and peppercorns used for the rub.

If you can't find whole cumin seeds, you can toast ground cumin. It still enhances the flavor, though it won't be as pronounced.

The toasted seasoning blend also would be good rubbed onto boneless, skinless chicken breasts or mixed into ground beef for a delicious burger. Serve the lamb chops with a side of mashed potatoes and buttered carrots.

After the chops are cooked, you can make a quick sauce by splashing a bit of wine or chicken broth into the pan and simmering it until thick.

Toasted Cumin and Rosemary Rubbed Lamb Chops

Start to finish: 20 minutes
Servings: 4
2 tablespoons cumin seeds
1 teaspoon kosher salt
1/4 teaspoon whole peppercorns
2 sprigs fresh rosemary, leaves only, finely minced
8 lamb chops
2 tablespoons vegetable or canola oil, divided

In a small, dry skillet over medium-low, combine the cumin seeds, salt and peppercorns. Toast, stirring constantly, until fragrant, about 1 minute. Transfer to a mortar and pestle or spice grinder. Pound or grind to a coarse powder.

In a small bowl, combine the cumin mixture and the minced rosemary. Mix well, then set aside.

Use paper towels to pat dry the lamb chops. Rub a bit of the cumin-rosemary mixture over both sides of each chop.

In a large skillet over medium-high, heat 1 tablespoon of the oil. Four at a time, add the lamb chops to the skillet and cook until browned on the bottom, about 3 to 4 minutes. Flip and cook for another 3 to 4 minutes. Serve immediately.

SCHOOL MENUS

Here's a look at school menus for the week of Nov. 2:

BELLE VERNON AREA

Breakfast

Daily: Cereal, muffin, milk and juice; yogurt, muffin, milk and juice
Monday – Yogurt cup and graham crackers
Tuesday – Mini pancakes and links
Wednesday – Breakfast pizza
Thursday – Breakfast hot pocket
Friday – Sausage and cheese bagel

Lunch

Daily: Chef salad; ham and turkey sandwich; peanut butter and jelly; cheese sandwich
Monday – Chicken rings, tater tots, vegetables, banana, milk.
Tuesday – Meatball hoagie, shoestring fries, mixed vegetables, pears, milk, brownies
Wednesday – Chicken nuggets, baked potato, broccoli and cheese, fresh fruit, milk.
Thursday – Nachos, pretzel, corn, milk.
Friday – Penne with meat sauce, bread sticks, Italian salad, fruit, milk.

CALIFORNIA AREA

Daily: Skim, strawberry, chocolate or white milk

Breakfast

Monday – Goldfish grahams, juice, cereal.
Tuesday – Doughnut, cereal, juice
Wednesday – Toast, juice, funnel cake/powdered sugar
Thursday – Pop tart, juice, cereal
Friday – Muffin, juice, cereal

Lunch

Daily: Vegetable or tossed salad; peanut butter and jelly or tuna sandwich
Monday – Meatball sandwich, peas and carrots, fruit
Tuesday – Turkey and cheese sandwich, French fries, fruit
Wednesday – California hoagie, mixed vegetables, fruit
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Takeout staple gets healthy makeover

Lo mein adds new flavor with chicken and mushrooms.

By JIM ROMANOFF
For The Associated Press

Chinese takeout is always a treat, but it can be hard to sort out whether it's a healthy one.

Of course, with egg rolls, spareribs and fried rice, there's not much guessing. But when it comes to the vegetable stir-fries and noodle dishes, the answer isn't as obvious as we'd like.

In principle, most Chinese stir-fries and noodle or rice dishes should be nutritionally sound. Lots of vegetables and carbohydrates and smaller amounts saturated fat from meat. But those ingredients usually are accompanied by plenty of oil and sodium in the wok.

If you really want to enjoy the healthy balance of ingredients in Chinese dishes, you can take matters into your own hands. This chicken and shiitake mushroom lo mein has all the flavor of the restaurant version, but just 4 teaspoons of oil and a lot less sodium.

Start by substituting whole-wheat spaghetti for the traditional lo mein noodles. This adds fiber and a pleasant, nutty flavor.

Chicken and Shiitake Mushroom Lo Mein

Start to finish: 45 minutes
Servings: 8
For the sauce:
1/2 cup reduced-sodium chicken broth
2 teaspoons cornstarch
2 teaspoons dark soy sauce
1 teaspoon light brown sugar
1 teaspoon oyster sauce
For the stir-fry:
16 ounces whole-wheat spaghetti
1 egg white
2 teaspoons cornstarch
1 teaspoon dark soy sauce
4 teaspoons peanut oil, divided
1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut crosswise into 1/4-inch slices
1 medium yellow onion, halved and cut into thin slices
8 ounces shiitake mushrooms, stems removed, sliced (about 2 cups)
2 medium carrots, peeled and cut into matchsticks (about 1 cup)
1 red bell pepper, cored and thinly sliced
6 scallions, cut into 3-inch pieces then sliced lengthwise
4 cloves garlic, minced
2 teaspoons grated fresh ginger

To make the sauce, in a small bowl whisk together the broth, cornstarch, dark soy sauce, brown sugar and oyster sauce. Set aside.

To prepare the stir-fry, bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Add the spaghetti and cook according to package directions. Drain and set aside.

Meanwhile, in a medium bowl, whisk together the egg white, cornstarch, dark soy sauce and 1 teaspoon of the oil. Add the chicken and mix thoroughly.

In a large nonstick skillet or wok, heat 1 teaspoon of the oil over medium-high. Swirl the oil to coat the bottom of the pan. Add the onion and stir-fry, until softened, about 3 minutes.

Add the mushrooms, carrots, bell pepper and scallions. Stir-fry until the vegetables are softened, about 5 minutes. Transfer to a serving platter and set aside.

Return the skillet to medium-high and add another teaspoon of the oil. Swirl the oil to coat the bottom of the pan. Add the chicken in an even layer and cook for 3 minutes. Turn the chicken and cook, until no longer pink in the center, about the 3 minutes more.

Push the chicken to the sides of the pan and add the last teaspoon of oil to the center. Add the garlic and ginger and stir-fry until fragrant, about 30 seconds. Stir the reserved sauce to recombine and add to the center of the pan; cook until the sauce begins to bubble and thicken, about 2 minutes.

Add the cooked spaghetti to the pan, along with the reserved vegetables. Toss to coat with sauce and continue cooking, until the lo mein is heat through, about 4 minutes more. Transfer to the serving platter.

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"World Famous" Traveling Buy Show is Coming

Cash in your attic? *This week visitors will cash in on antiques, gold, silver, coins, and collectibles - many in for a surprise!*

By Anne-Marie Thompson
The Great Treasure Hunt STAFF WRITER

Could thousands of dollars be collecting dust in your closet or attic? Bring your valuables on down to the Great Treasure Hunt Antique and Collectible Buy Show in Belle Vernon and leave with cash in hand! The Treasure Hunters are located at the Hampton Inn from Thursday until Saturday to pump money back into the rapidly declining economy.

With unemployment reaching 8.5% in Pennsylvania, there is no doubt that Belle Vernon locals are in need of fast cash. The Treasure Hunters will make an offer for anything of value, so come down to the Hampton Inn for a free appraisal.

"We will sort through boxes of collectibles and bags of coins and jewelry if you let us," says Treasure Hunter Kenny Davis, but that is not all they buy. They have purchased anything from comic books and tin toys to basketball jerseys and rare vintage guitars.

Just recently, 82-year-old Ben Williams of Green Bay, WI came to visit the Treasure Hunters. He had antiques passed down from his mother, including a 150-year-old oak coffee table with painted detail and a lamp dating back to the 1910s. When asked about the condition the coffee table was kept, Ben replied, "I've never let a sole on it." All humor aside, the Treasure Hunters met his asking price, paying higher than any other buyer. "The Treasure Hunters were very fair, and I know the table is going in the right hands," Ben said.

The Treasure Hunters will be set up at the Hampton Inn Thursday - Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The easiest way to know what coins are of value, the Treasure Hunters explain, is to look at the date. U.S. coins made before 1965 are valuable because of their high silver content, and they can be worth more if they happen to be a rare date.

The Treasure Hunters can test precious metals on site, as well. If there is any doubt of the carat content, the experts will be able to find out within minutes. They will buy broken chains, earring studs, diamonds, class rings, and much, much more. Nothing is too big or too small.

Judy came in yesterday to sell her old jewelry. "I can't believe I almost threw my broken chains away!" she said. "I'm so glad I checked [the Buy Show] out!"

Scrap gold and coins are the most common items they buy, but there have been some interesting finds. Just recently someone came in with an African soul washer. After a quick call to verify the value, the Treasure Hunters made a hefty offer and a happy exchange. Some other purchased treasures include a baseball jersey belonging to St. Louis Cardinals first baseman Stan Musial, the estate of late baseball Hall of Famer Ty Cobb, and a certified 3-carat diamond engagement ring.

Sharon Egan of Canton, OH brought in her father's old baseball cards, hoping to make some fast cash. "My daughter is turning 5," she said, smiling. "I want to throw her a big birthday party." The cards had been sitting in her attic since her father passed away, and she said she had never considered that they might be worth money. The sale was quick and happy. She made $1310. She exclaimed, "I can throw my daughter's sweet sixteen off what the Treasure Hunters gave me!"

> "Every person out there has something we would have interest in"
>
> - Team member Chris Wagner

While the Treasure Hunters cannot purchase everything brought in, they welcome anyone and everyone to come by with their items.

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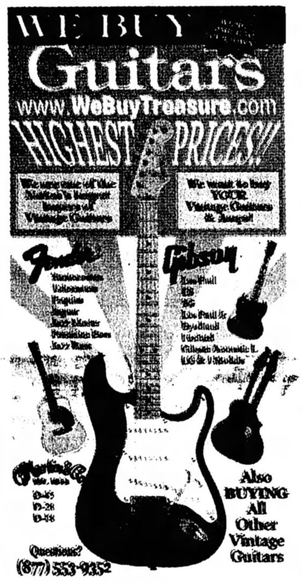

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$100,000 Mandolin found in Pennsylvania

On the Treasure Hunters' last trip to Pottsville, PA, they discovered an unexpected gem. Treasure Hunter Will Whitaker reports, "I couldn't believe we had come across a Gibson F-5 because they are so rare!" With a speedy call to Kenny Davis, the Treasure Hunters quickly learned of the mandolin's authenticity. It was genuine.

The Treasure Hunters met the seller's asking price enthusiastically, and the Gibson F-5 became a found treasure.

The seller made a very large profit on the mandolin and left the show with a great deal of cash in hand.

Finished with an ultra-thin, hand-brushed varnish and hand-applied French polish, the Gibson F-5 Master Model is the ultimate in sound and beauty.

Friends Carpool To The Buy Show

By Anne-Marie Thompson
The Great Treasure Hunt STAFF WRITER

Friends and families often travel together to make the Great Treasure Hunt Antique and Collectible Buy Show a fun event. Treasure Hunter Matt Block recalls, "Two women came in with their old gold jewelry. They had made it a contest to see which one had brought the most stuff to cash in."

The Buy Show is busiest around noon, when coworkers hop in their cars and come in groups to make extra cash on their lunch hour. The appraisals do not take long, so make a trip to the Buy Show today!

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We represent some of the world's top memorabilia antique collectors

The Great Treasure Hunt Antique and Collectible Buy Show represents top buyers of antiques and collectibles. These resources allow the Treasure Hunters to pay the highest amount possible to their sellers. The company bases their offers on today's going rates, so you can be sure you are getting the most for your valuables.

Given the circumstances in today's economy, the Treasure Hunters are willing to meet sellers privately to ensure the safety of their goods. Their purchases are always professional, fair, and discreet.

Single Mom Sells Her Old Gold and Starts Business

Jane Mitchell from Northampton, Massachusetts came in to the Great Treasure Hunt Antique and Collectible Buy Show in need of extra cash. She brought her out-of-style gold jewelry and some broken chains. "I didn't think they would be worth much, but I'm starting my own business from home, so every little bit counts."

The little bit she hoped for ballooned to an even $2000, which was more than enough cushion for her new catering business.

> "It only took a few minutes & I left - **CASH In Hand!**"

With gold at an all-time high, it is no wonder she received such a large sum. "What's great," Jane exclaimed, "is that this was all just sitting in an old jewelry box in the back of my closet!" The Treasure Hunters turned her unwanted jewelry into much needed cash in less than 15 minutes.

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Shootout win in Columbus

Sidney Crosby scored the only goal of the shootout Friday as the Penguins topped the Blue Jackets. **2B**

Valley SPORTS

South Florida sacks WVU

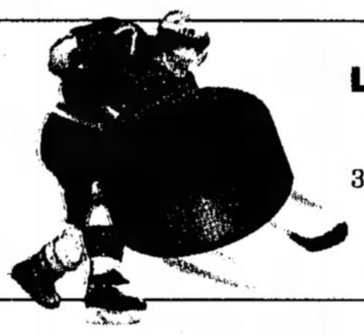
The 20th-ranked Mountaineers suffered their first Big East loss of the season Friday night at South Florida. **3B**

Pitchers' Series

Runs have been hard to come by for both the Yankees and Phillies in this year's World Series. **2B**

Sports Trivia

How many different National League teams have the Yankees defeated in the World Series? **2B**



Last night's games

Pittsburgh 4, Columbus 3, SO
N.Y. Islanders 4, Washington 3, OT
Buffalo 3, Toronto 2, OT
Minnesota 3, N.Y. Rangers 2
Florida 6, Dallas 5

Hounds romp; Pacak ejected

Coach blames officials with "rabbit ears," will miss next week's playoff contest.

By JEFF OLIVER
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MONESSEN — When Monessen takes the field for the start of the WPIAL Class A playoffs, the Greyhounds will be without their head coach.

That's because Andy Pacak was ejected from Friday's Tri-County South Conference finale against California at Memorial Stadium.

The Greyhounds (7-2, 7-0) romped to their seventh straight win, 50-21, over the Trojans (4-5, 3-4), but Pacak got an early shower after the Greyhounds' bench picked up two unsportsmanlike conduct penalties.

"I didn't say a word and I got thrown out of the game because these officials have rabbit ears," a visibly upset Pacak said after the penalty-marred contest was over.

In all, the officials called 13 unsportsmanlike conduct penalties and the two teams combined for 19 penalties for 227 yards.

The Greyhounds got called for the first bench penalty before the game started, as they were flagged for taunting as the two teams took the field.

"The head official (Chuck Hunnell) called an unsportsmanlike on us because he said he had problems with Clairton last week and he wasn't going to put up with it again tonight," Pacak said. "That tells me the officials came in here with an attitude. When you call that many unsportsmanlike conduct penalties on two teams, you are looking to call penalties.

"That's not right. That's just not right. I never heard of that many unsportsmanlike conduct penalties in one game."

The penalty that got Pacak chased came early in the second quarter when Monessen's Josh Stepoli got called for an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty and then a member of Monessen's coaching staff made a comment from the sidelines to the officials.

"One of my coaches simply said, 'If you're gonna call those penalties, then call them both ways.' And they flagged our bench and I was ejected," Pacak said. "That's bull and you can print that."

Pacak said he will talk to the school's athletic director John Sacco to see if an appeal is possible. If not, he said he is not sure who will guide the Greyhounds in next week's playoff game.

"We haven't gotten that far yet," he said with a forced smile. "We'll talk about it real soon."

As for the game, the Greyhounds hammered the Trojans, jumping out to a 20-0 lead early in the second quarter and rolling to a 50-14 lead to force a continuous clock with 1:10 left in the third quarter.

Quarterback Terrance Stepoli enjoyed his best game of the season for the Greyhounds, hitting on 10 of 12 passes for 125 yards and a touchdown. He also carried the ball five times for 32 yards and two more TDs.

He scored on back-to-back plays when he went in from 2 yards out to make it 6-0 and then scampered 26 yards to make it 12-0 after Monessen recovered an onside kick.

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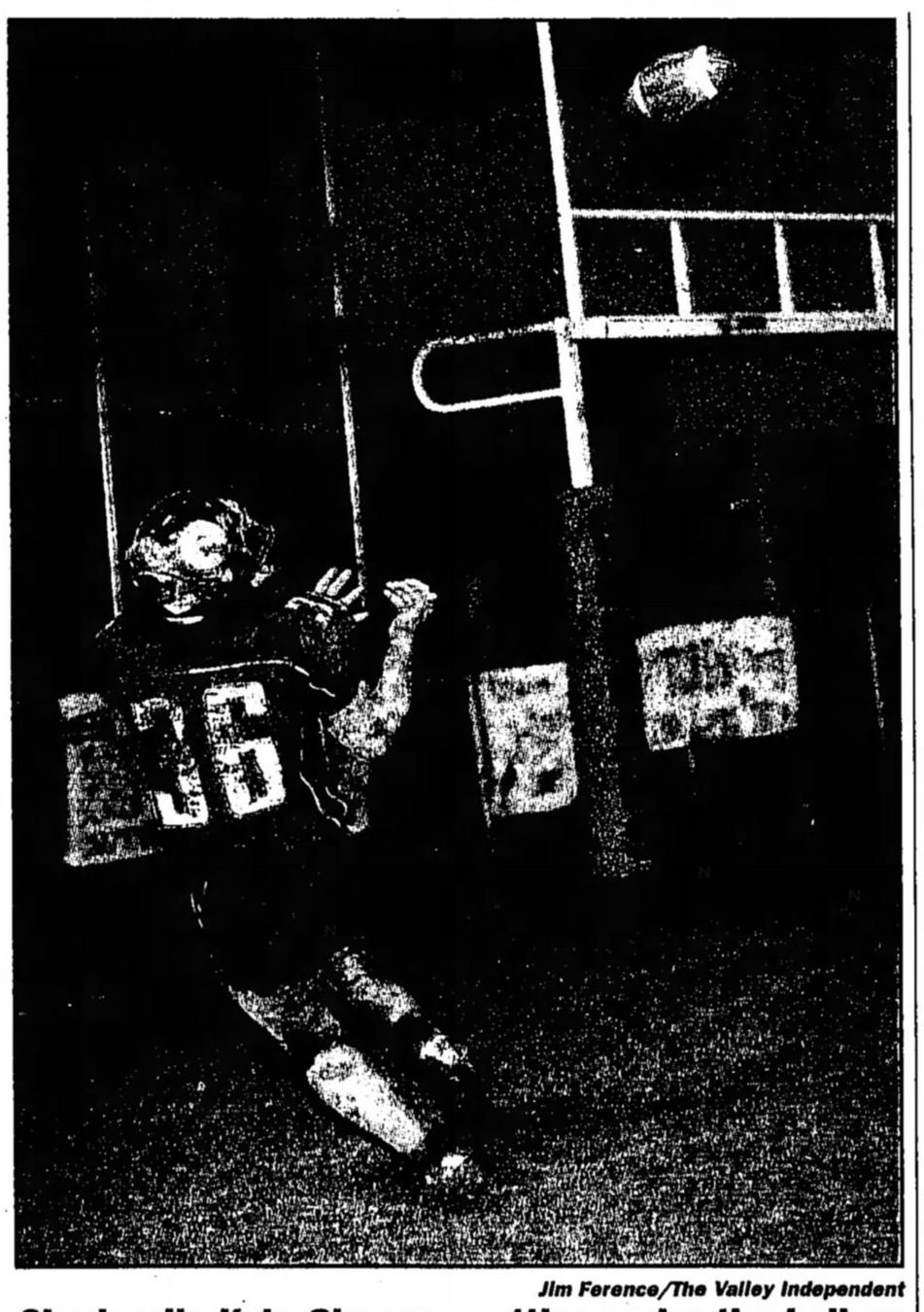
Monessen's Terrance Stepoli completed 10 of 12 passes for 125 yards and a touchdown.



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Charleroi's Kyle Shannon settles under the ball on a fourth quarter touchdown catch.

Rams, Cougars finish seasons with defeats

Ringgold falls to Trinity; Charleroi can't stop unbeaten Mt. Pleasant.

The high school football season didn't have a happy ending for either Ringgold or Charleroi Friday night.

Needing a win to make the WPIAL Class AAA playoffs, Ringgold went down to a 24-10 defeat at Trinity in the battle for the fourth spot in the Big 7 Conference.

Charleroi, meanwhile, was a 36-20 loser to unbeaten Class AA Interstate Conference champion Mt. Pleasant to finish with three defeats after being deadlocked for second place at 5-1.

In other regular season finales, Yough rolled over Southmoreland, 56-28, in the Class AAA Keystone Conference and Frazier topped Bentworth, 8-0, in the Class A Black Hills Conference.

Here's how the games shaped up:

Trinity 24, Ringgold10

Sophomore Eric Richards proved to be too much for the Rams.

Richards ran 32 times for 240 yards and touchdowns of 3 yards and a pair of 1-yarders.

Sophomore Skyler Fransko gave Ringgold (3-6, 1-5) a short-lived 3-0 lead with a 42-yard field goal midway in the first quarter.

Neal Rands scored the Rams' touchdown from 1 yard out. It was Ringgold's first touchdown inside the 10-yard line in a

(See ROUNDUP, Page 2B)

BVA's defense awakens to shut down Warriors

EF scores all its points in the first quarter of Friday's 37-9 loss.

By BRIAN HERMAN
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ROSTRAVER TOWNSHIP — For one quarter Friday Belle Vernon Area High's football team didn't look like it was playoff bound or had lost by only six points a week ago at unbeaten and defending WPIAL and PIAA Class AAA champion Thomas Jefferson.

In their senior night home finale at James Weir Stadium, the Leps went into the second period trailing Elizabeth Forward, 9-0.

It wasn't an indication of things to come.

With two seconds left in the first half, Joey Walko's 32-yard field goal barely cleared the crossbar to give BVA (5-4, 3-3) a 10-9 halftime lead before the Leps went on to roll to a convincing 37-9 victory to take the No. 3 playoff berth in the Big 7 Conference.

"I challenged them at halftime and they responded well," said rookie BVA coach Aaron Krepps after being greeted with his first shower from the sideline. "I'm proud of the defense and expect a lot from them."

After giving up 91 rushing yards in the opening period, the Leps' defense took over, limiting the Warriors (4-5, 1-5) to 17 in the final three periods.

Elizabeth Forward managed only nine total offense yards following intermission and its only first downs after the first quarter came on three pass interference penalties in the final 4:31.

While the defense was shutting down the Warriors, junior Matt Green was showing why he's one of the conference's premier running backs.

Green ran for 199 yards on 22 carries and scored the Leps' first touchdown on a 13-yarder with 4:19 left in the first half.

Green wasn't the lone offensive standout for BVA.

Cody Williams put the Leps up 17-9 with a 37-yard touchdown dash early in the third quarter and set up the next six-pointer with a 34-yard return on Josh Pomilio's 50-yard punt. He also returned an interception 57 yards to the Warriors' 6 midway in the final period.

BVA senior quarterback Brandon Dilmore, meanwhile, completed his last five passes after starting out 0 for 5 with two interceptions.

Dilmore threw a 24-yard touchdown pass to Mike Thayer in the third quarter and closed the scoring from 1 yard out in the final period.

Spencer Lynn scored the Leps' other touchdown from 1 yard out in the third quarter.

Elizabeth Forward jumped out to a quick 6-0 lead when Gerald Johnson raced in from 13 yards out with 1:58 gone.

The score came after a 38-yard run by Greg Sotereanos.

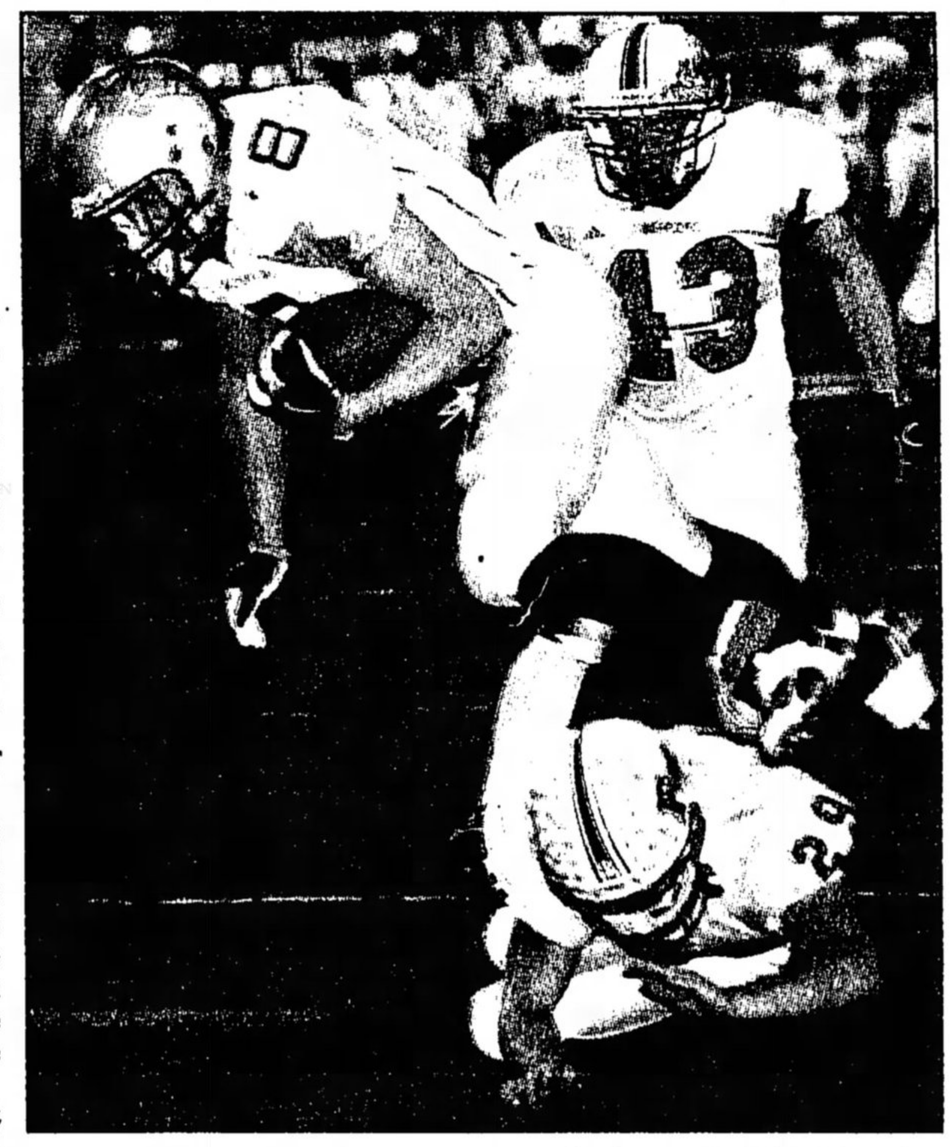
After the Warriors' Brandon Hill recorded his fifth interception of the season, Elizabeth drove down to the BVA 6 with a first down.

Elizabeth Forward, however, had to settle for a 24-yard field goal by Nick Kalpakis after Pomilio threw an incompletion on third down following a 23-yard loss by Johnson and Hill's 1-yard run.

According to Elizabeth Forward coach Garry Cathell, the Warriors' offense turned cold when Pomilio sprained his ankle in the opening quarter.

"It took away our option and keeper," he said. "We played into their hands, but they did a great job. Turnovers gave them momentum and it just snowballed."

LEFTOVERS: BVA sophomore linebacker Adam Cole came up with two key tackles for losses in the second quarter and recovered a fumble on an onside kick to set up the Leps' final touchdown ... Geen gained 90 yards on six carries in the third quarter. Green enters the playoffs with 1,120 rushing yards ... Sotereanos had 46 yards on two carries in the first quarter and seven yards on three carries the remainder of the game ... The Leps finished with 285 rushing yards and outgained the Warriors, 334-128.



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Belle Vernon Area's Matt Green jumps for a touchdown over Elizabeth Forward's Joshua Pomilio (29) and past Cody Scagline (43).

SPORTS

Crosby caps Penguins' comeback

Shootout goal lets team escape Columbus with a 4-3 victory.

By RUSTY MILLER
AP Sports Writer

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The big pads circled the puck and Steve Mason thought he had it corraled. Then it started tumbling away, wobbling inches over the goal line.

Pittsburgh scored twice in the final 3 minutes of regulation to tie it and Sidney Crosby's shot barely crossed the line in the shootout to lift the Penguins to a 4-3 victory over the Columbus Blue Jackets on Friday night.

"It was kind of a fluky. The puck kept going," Crosby said. "I don't know if he lost it or he didn't know where it was or whatever. I just tried a quick shot. I thought he had the save there. It just trickled in."

Mason couldn't believe the puck eluded him.

"It hit my stick and I didn't get it settled until it was over the line," he said. "It just trickled over and I was too late on it."

Brent Johnson stopped 29 shots before the shootout, then stymied Antoine Vermette, Rick Nash and Kristian Huselius in the tiebreaker. The Penguins improved to 6-0-0 on the road, the franchise's best start ever away from home.

Ruslan Fedotenko and Alex Goligoski scored late goals in a 39-second span to tie it. Chris Kunitz also had a short-handed goal and an assist.

Associated Press

Sidney Crosby, right, scores the game-winning goal against Columbus goalie Steve Mason during Friday's shootout.

Crosby added two assists.

Kunitz said that even when it was 3-1 and time was running out that Crosby remained a positive influence.

"It shows a lot of character from our captain. He goes out and he's never quitting on anything," Kunitz said. "Sometimes a team goes packing, down by two with 3 minutes left. But he goes out, he's on the bench, he's saying, 'Let's get the next one.' So we go out there and he finds himself the puck and he gets it to (Goligoski), he gets a great shot and puts it in the net to get us to overtime."

Nash had two goals — one while on his knees — and Derek Dorsett his first of the season for the Blue Jackets, who lost their third in a row.

"We're not closing games," Nash said. "We got the lead in a lot of the games already and just can't seem to close it out. They are the defending Stanley Cup champions. You can tell why they're such a good team. We are a team that needs to learn how to play with the lead."

Columbus led 3-1 before Fedotenko netted a rebound at the left circle off a wide shot from the right point by Martin Skoula with 2:56 left. With the Penguins suddenly buzzing, Goligoski took a feed from Crosby seconds later, teed it up in the high slot and beat Mason glove side to knot the score.

"It should have never got to the shootout," Columbus coach Ken Hitchcock said. "We did everything well but get the game shut down."

The Penguins were playing without center Evgeni Malkin. Sidelined by a strained right shoulder, he missed his first game in three years.

With a large portion of the capacity crowd of 19,136 cheering for the Penguins, the Blue Jackets slowly built a two-goal lead.

Nash broke through late in the first on the power play. He collected the puck behind the cage and tried a wraparound, the puck sliding to the right wing where Derick Brassard's wrister was blocked by Johnson.

Nash had skated to the slot and was knocked down. While still on his knees, the rebound came to him and he jammed the puck in for his seventh of the season.

After Nash made it 2-0, Kunitz was knocked down on a breakaway but there was no call. Seconds later, he ended up with the puck at the left doorstep and lifted it high over Mason's glove. Dorsett then returned the two-goal lead.

The Penguins woke up just in time.

"It felt like in the third we just kept generating chances," Crosby said. "We all felt confident we could get ourselves back in it with the way we were playing, the momentum we had."

Roundup (FROM PAGE ONE)

conference game.

Mike Cleveland kicked a 21-yard field goal with 22 seconds remaining in the first half to give the Hillers (4-5, 3-3) a 10-3 halftime lead.

Trinity's defense limited the Rams' quarterback to 15 yards on 14 carries and 21 yards in the air. He was intercepted three times.

Bob Bracken was the Rams' leading rusher with 34 yards on 10 carries.

Mt. Pleasant 36, Charleroi 20

The Vikings went unbeaten for the first time in 16 years.

Charleroi (5-4) trailed 23-20 after Tommy Thorpe's 29-yard touchdown pass to Kyle Shannon with 7:39 to go before Mt. Pleasant's Eric Wagner returned the ensuing kickoff 88 yards for a touchdown to break the cougars' back.

Sophomore Quentin Briggs, who scored Charleroi's first touchdown on a 35-yard run in the first quarter, was limited to 88 yards on 17 carries.

Thorpe, who was ejected in the fourth quarter, gave the Cougars a 13-9 lead early in the third quarter when he went in from the 1.

Thorpe completed eight of 12 passes for 140 yards with Simeon Bell catching five passes for 86 yards.

The Vikings' Bryce Ansell gained 139 yards on 20 carries and scored on runs of 5 and 4 yards.

The Cougars were hit with 127 penalty yards.

Yough 56, Southmoreland 28

Matt Gross starred for the Cougars, who snapped a four-game losing skid.

Gross rushed for 217 yards on 24 carries with touchdowns of 3, 13, 17 and 18 yards.

Yough quarterback Brandon Gelet completed three of seven passes for 118 yards and a 55-yard touchdown to Mike Madden. Gelet also ran 3 yards for a score.

Yough's defense accounted for two touchdowns with Mike Mlinek returning an interception 30 yards for a score and Brandon Sior 26 yards for six points.

Southmoreland's Conner McKlveen had five receptions for 123 yards including touchdowns of 46 and 5 yards from Bo Datz, who also ran 2 yards for a score.

Yough (2-7, 1-5) will close the season Thursday at home against South Allegheny.

Frazier 8, Bentworth 0

Chase Kirmeyer, who ran for 115 yards on 28 carries, scored the game's lone touchdown in the first quarter on a 2-yard run with Jim Kline running over the 2-pointer.

The shutout was the first of the season for the Commodores (4-5, 3-4).

Bentworth (2-7, 1-6) was blanked for the second straight game and fourth time.

Monessen (FROM PAGE ONE)

Stepoli shared the spotlight with teammates Nick Bolias and Brett Crenshaw.

Bolias caught four passes for 100 yards, including a 52-yard score late in the third quarter that kicked in the continuous clock.

Bolias also had an electrifying 80-yard kickoff return for a touchdown in which he wiggled his way out of a tackle, reversed field and broke free for the score.

Crenshaw carried the ball nine times for 50 yards and scored three TDs.

Teammate Trae Cook, who had 69 yards on six carries, scored the Greyhounds' other touchdown on a 9-yard run in the third quarter.

California quarterback D.J. Martinak hit on 10 of 22 passes for 189 yards, including TD passes of 38 yards to Wade Stinnett and 27 yards to Robert Kalbaugh.

However, the Greyhounds did an excellent job of bottling up Martinak's running abilities as he carried the ball 18 times for minus-8 yards. He was sacked seven times.

Dylan Hunter had 72 yards on 12 carries and scored a TD on a 12-yard run for the Trojans.

NOTES: The teams combined to score five touchdowns in a 3:52 span of the first and second quarters ... Monessen was flagged seven times for 95 yards in the first half alone and finished with 11 penalties for 125 yards compared to Cal's 8 for 102 yards ... Martinak's 10 completions went to six different receivers.

Series belongs to the pitchers

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Derek Jeter almost seems to delight in the way this World Series is playing out. Forget all those power hitters. Pitching is priceless.

"I told you," he said with a smile.

Without any offense from Alex Rodriguez, Jeter and the New York Yankees totaled four runs in the first two games and still eked out a split at home. Now, the Series shifts to Philadelphia for Game 3 on Saturday night, with Cole Hamels set to start for the Phillies against fellow lefty Andy Pettitte.

Three wins from a second consecutive title, Philadelphia could wrap it up at home. Chase Utley, Jimmy Rollins and crew can't wait to play before their fans in the second-ever World Series game on Halloween.

"We're back in our own ballpark. It's going to be hostile. It's going to be loud," Shane Victorino said.

Nothing new, according to the Yankees.

"Because of the team we are, we get booed and yelled at everywhere we go," Johnny Damon said. "Even coming off the train."

Citizens Bank Park is approximately 108 miles from Yankee Stadium, with all those New Jersey Turnpike tolls in between. Both teams zipped down on the train in a little more than an hour — the Phillies after their 3-1 loss Thursday night, the Yankees on Friday afternoon.

During batting practice, as one slugger after another sent balls ricocheting around Philadelphia's cozy ballpark, it was hard to fathom how Cliff Lee and A.J. Burnett looked so dominant on the mound the previous two nights.

"I can't say enough about our advanced scouting and our reports. They're right on," Phillies manager Charlie Manuel said.

Sooner or later, though, some of these big bats are bound to break loose.

Mark Teixeira's only hit in seven at-bats is a solo homer. Phillies bopper Ryan Howard is hitting .222 with six strikeouts. A monster in the playoffs, Rodriguez is 0 for 8 in his first World Series, also with six strikeouts.

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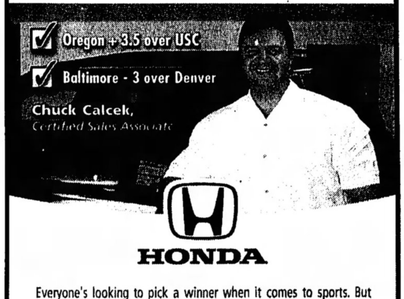

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SPORTS DIGEST

Pair sign towel hoping to end any 'curse'

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Call it charity or an attempt to reverse any perceived curse by a losing team.

Titans linebacker Keith Bulluck and running back LenDale White autographed a Terrible Towel after practice Thursday with the towel shipped by a Nashville radio station to the Alleghany Valley School. That's the Pittsburgh non-profit group that benefits from sales of the towel developed by the late Myron Cope.

The Titans haven't won since Bulluck and White stepped on a towel Dec. 21 after a 31-14 win over Pittsburgh. That skid stands at eight games counting their playoff loss. Steelers' fans insist it's due to the disrespect shown to the towel.

Pirates hire former player as coach

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Former Pittsburgh Pirates infield Carlos Garcia has been hired as the team's first base coach and infield instructor.

Garcia replaces Perry Hill, who recently quit after one season with the Pirates. Garcia spent the last two seasons as the Pirates' minor league infield coordinator.

Garcia played for the Pirates from 1990-96 during a major league career that lasted until 1999 and was their only player chosen for the 1994 All-Star game in Pittsburgh. He was the Seattle Mariners' third base coach and infield instructor from 2005-07.

TV ratings up for World Series

NEW YORK (AP) — Television ratings for the World Series are rebounding from last year's record lows.

The Yankees' 3-1 win over the Phillies on Thursday night on Fox earned an 11.7 fast national rating and 19 share. That's up 44 percent from the 8.1/13 for last year's Phillies-Rays Game 2.

The network said on Friday it's the highest-rated Game 2 since the Red Sox-Cardinals in 2004.

SEC stiffens penalties for complaining coaches

NEW YORK (AP) — Publicly griping about officials in the Southeastern Conference got a lot more costly for Lane Kiffin and the rest of the league's coaches.

After three SEC coaches in two weeks, including Tennessee's Kiffin, received reprimands for ripping officials, the conference has decided that future punishment for similar antics will be fines and suspensions.

A memorandum was sent by the league office on Friday to every school making them aware of the change, which is effective immediately.

Commissioner Mike Slive, in his eighth season with the conference, was given full discretion by the league's athletic directors and presidents to hand out the punishment.

Trivia answer

Ten — the Giants, Cardinals, Pirates, Cubs, Reds, Dodgers, Phillies, Braves, Padres and Mets.

SPORTS

Bill HUGHES

TNA signs Hogan, Bischoff

In a surprising move, it was announced Tuesday that TNA has signed Hulk Hogan and Eric Bischoff.

Now, before any fan of the WCW of the mid-1990s gets all excited, let's break down the deal.

During his numerous media interviews this week about his book that was just released, Hogan barely mentioned TNA.

Sure, Hogan is working with the company. But don't expect to see him in the ring for that many matches. The years of wear and tear on his body seem to be finally catching up with the legend, as he has had hip, knee and back surgeries in the last few years.

Will he wrestle? Absolutely, and look for Hogan to be TNA champion sooner rather than later. Hogan has stated that he is going to TNA to "get the ship back on track," but don't be fooled by Hogan's "team" comments.

Without a doubt, Hogan has been about himself from day one. That mentality has led him to be the highest paid wrestler of all-time.

While no one knows for sure how much money he has made, it has been estimated that Hogan has made between $60 million and $100 million.

So what does the signing actually mean?

It gives TNA a much-needed big name who, at least in the short term, will turn in better ratings for the company.

That is the good news. The bad news?

Where you have found Hogan in the past, you have found political maneuvering. Things will be no different in TNA.

The biggest political move will be with the writing team in TNA, which has Vince Russo as the head writer.

For those who don't know, Russo and Hogan butted heads, which led to Hogan suing both Russo and WCW in 2000.

So where does Bischoff play into all of this?

Bischoff is part of Bischoff Hervey Entertainment Television (BHE) with former "Wonder Years" star Jason Hervey.

BHE is going to look to expand TNA's visibility and name. There has already been talk of a second TNA television show and BHE is targeting the 8 to 10 p.m. time slot on Monday nights.

Yep, that would mean a new Monday night war would be right around the corner.

So where does this leave other Hogan ventures? In November, Hogan will be putting on a Hulkamania tour in Australia that he and Bischoff have put together.

Hogan will main event shows against Ric Flair, and several other former stars will be on the shows as well.

To show how Hogan puts himself first at all times, he has already announced that he will not take part in TNA's upcoming Australia tour.

Without question, the Hogan signing is going to provide a huge boost for TNA.

But while Hogan's signing is going to help the company, how long will it take to cause the inner turmoil that seems to follow Hogan?

Steelers look Super again

Defending champions appear ready for a strong second half.

By ALAN ROBINSON
AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH — The early season slide is over. Troy Polamalu is back from a four-week injury layoff. The edginess and self-assurance appear to be restored to the NFL's best defense over the last five seasons.

Ben Roethlisberger is second in the NFL in yards passing. James Harrison is threatening to break the team record for sacks again. Hines Ward is playing as if he's 23, not 33. Teams still can't run the ball effectively against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

In September, the rest of the NFL kept looking for the faults and fallacies in the defending Super Bowl champion. They were visible, too: an overtime win over still-winless Tennessee; a flurry of fourth-quarter points allowed; last-minute losses to the Bears and the Bengals in successive weeks.

So much for a first impression being a lasting one. Right now, the Steelers (5-2) own the look of a team no opponent would willingly choose to play in January. They're hauling a four-game winning streak and growing confidence into their bye week, plus the mindset they're still the NFL's best team until somebody proves differently.

"We're stacking wins," Ward said. "(Going into) the month of November, we're heading in the right direction."

They don't own the NFL's best record, or even the undisputed lead in the AFC North — that might get decided when they play the Bengals (5-2) on Nov. 15. But the Steelers never were a team that needed the standings, outside experts, statistical breakdowns or fancy graphics to tell them where they rank or what they can be.

Their own state-of-the-

Associated Press

Troy Polamalu's return from injury has provided a boost to the Steelers' defense.

Steelers analysis: not there yet.

"We've put ourselves in a good position to go into this bye, but November, December, that's where the real teams start to separate themselves," defensive end Brett Keisel said. "Hopefully, if we're a real team around here, we can continue this win streak."

The Steelers' attitude, demeanor and confidence all looked to change during the last 1 1/2 quarters of their 27-17 victory over previously unbeaten Minnesota last Sunday.

First, they refused to allow a touchdown after Minnesota had a first down at their half-yard line during the third quarter. One failed run by Adrian Peterson and two incompletions by Brett Favre thrown into tightly packed end zone made Minnesota settle for a field goal that kept the Steelers in the lead.

The Vikings blinked, and it [illegible] changed a pivotal [illegible]. The Vikings have [illegible] the NFL's best running back, yet they apparently had so little confidence Peterson could [illegible] 18 inches against [illegible]'s defense that they [illegible] only once.

Maybe there's a reason: Peterson, Cedric Benson and Chris Johnson are three of the [illegible] five rushers, yet each [illegible] by a Steelers [illegible] that hasn't allowed a 100-yard rusher in its last 25 regular-season games. The challenge will be keeping that [illegible] without run-stuffing [illegible] end Aaron Smith, who [illegible] out for the season with a torn rotator cuff.

Following the goal line stand, the Steelers' defense outscored [illegible]'s offense 14-0 as Matt Woodley scored on a 77-yard fumble return and Keyaron [illegible] returned an interception 82 [illegible] a touchdown. So much [illegible]

for the Steelers' inability to close out teams in the fourth quarter, where they were outscored 55-13 in their first five games.

"We don't do shootouts around here," safety Ryan Clark said. "It's been awesome how fast people forget this defense can actually play. We have pride. It's not ego, it's pride. And these guys have character."

What the Steelers really need is to keep Polamalu healthy. Their defense wasn't as aggressive or effective after he injured his left knee Sept. 10 against Tennessee, and they were only 2-2 without him. They're 3-0 when he plays, and 12-1 since mid-November a year ago, counting the postseason.

While the Steelers' defense isn't quite back yet — it's No. 8 overall after being No. 1 the last two seasons — the offense is unlike any other the Steelers have had during the Bill Cowher and Mike Tomlin eras.

Rather than being in the bottom third in passing and the top five in rushing, it's the other way around. The Steelers continue to evolve from being one of the NFL's most run-heavy offenses to one of its more unpredictable ones. Roethlisberger has thrown for 2,062 yards, or only about 600 yards fewer than during his rookie season in 2004. No Steelers QB has led the NFL in passing, but he could do it.

Roethlisberger already has three 300-yard games, only one fewer than four-time Super Bowl winner Terry Bradshaw had during his career. Ward is second in the league in yards receiving.

"I guess if you go back to the '70s, we've been a grind-it, pound-it team," Roethlisberger said. "We're not that '70s team. We're our own identity. We're our own team."

A team that, as midseason approaches, apparently believes it can do something those teams of the '70s did by winning three Super Bowls in five seasons, during a run of four Super Bowl wins in six seasons.

"We know what we're capable of doing," Roethlisberger said.

South Florida upsets WVU

Freshman QB tops 20th-ranked Mountaineers.

By FRED GOODALL
AP Sports Writer

TAMPA, Fla. — South Florida's B.J. Daniels gave West Virginia fits with his arm and his feet.

The entertaining redshirt freshman quarterback threw for 232 yards and rushed for 104 more to account for more offense than the 20th-ranked Mountaineers managed as a team in the Bulls' 30-19 victory Friday night.

Daniels threw for three touchdowns, and the Bulls rebounded from two subpar defensive performances to frustrate West Virginia running back Noel Devine and beat their Big East rival for the third time in four years.

The Bulls (6-2, 2-2) allowed 75 points and 887 yards in conference losses to Cincinnati and Pittsburgh the previous two weeks, yet found a way to hold Devine to his lowest rushing total of the season.

In stopping their two-game slide, they hope they have pulled out of a funk that contributed to midseason swoons that also followed promising starts that lifted them into the Top 25 in 2007 and 2008.

"I guess a lot of people doubted us and thought we were going to go down the same patch we did the last two years," said Daniels, who had 336 yards total offense to West Virginia's 323. "That was a lot of garbage that our team didn't listen to."

West Virginia (6-2, 2-1) drove 80 yards after the opening kickoff to take a 7-0 lead, but never really got into a rhythm offensively.

"There's some young hurting guys in there, both physically and mentally. And they should be," West Virginia coach Bill Stewart said. "That was a hard-fought game. I cannot fault our effort."

Daniels threw TD passes of 49 yards to Carlton Mitchell, 11 yards to A.J. Love and 6 yards to Sterling Griffin. Eric Schwartz's third field goal, a 44-yarder 3 minutes into the fourth quarter put the Bulls up 30-19.

Jarrett Brown scored on runs of 3 and 11 yards, however West Virginia's senior quarterback had sporadic success throwing against a defense geared to stop the run.

Devine, who grew up 2 hours south of Tampa, was limited to 42 yards on 17 carries in what was a homecoming of sorts for him and a number of other Mountaineers from Florida, including Brown and leading receiver Jock Sanders.

Devine entered averaging 130.3 per game — third in the nation — and 89 shy of topping 1,000 for the second straight season.

"We talked a lot about him," South Florida coach Jim Leavitt said. "We didn't want to let him get outside — we wanted to keep him hemmed up inside. ... He's such a great back. If he gets out, he's gone."

Down two scores in the fourth quarter, the Mountaineers were forced to throw on virtually every down. Brown finished 19 of 32 for 205 yards and one interception, while Devine only carried the ball twice in the fourth quarter.

In a comeback behind victory over [illegible] last week, the speedy 5-foot-7, 176-pound Devine set up one second-half touchdown with a 62-yard run, then had the winning TD [illegible] 56-yard burst.

West Virginia was trying to remain unbeaten in the Big East along with Cincinnati and Pittsburgh. The Mountaineers lost to South Florida in 2006 and 2007 [illegible] but three of those games overall in the budding rivalry.

Daniels improved to 3-2 since replacing Big East career leader Matt [illegible], who suffered a season-ending knee injury in the third week of the season. He kept West Virginia's offbalance with his mobility and made some of his biggest throws while scrambling to buy time.

"They [illegible] letting me to run once I got outside the pocket, so a lot of the DB's had their eyes on me. ... The guys got behind [illegible] Daniels said.

Besides his 49-yard catch for a touchdown, Mitchell nearly scored on a 69-yard [illegible]. Officials [illegible] was pushed out of bounds at the West Virginia 9 as he tightroped [illegible] the sideline and [illegible] zone.

Three plays later, Daniels rolled to his right and [illegible] looked like a threat to [illegible] Love wide [illegible] yard TD [illegible] as the Mountaineers converged on him [illegible] broke containment.

Daniels [illegible] yard com[illegible] Love [illegible] and finished 13 of 26 without an interception.

"We haven't seen a guy like that (this year), but at the same time that's no excuse for our defense," West Virginia safety Robert Sands said. "We've still got to go out there and make plays. He broke contain too many times, and he burned us."

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South Florida quarterback B.J. Daniels runs away from West Virginia defenders Julian Miller in the fourth quarter Friday.

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NHL standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	13	11	2	0	22	47	29
N.Y. Rangers	14	8	5	1	17	49	39
New Jersey	11	7	4	0	14	29	27
Philadelphia	10	5	4	1	11	33	31
N.Y. Islanders	12	3	4	5	11	29	41

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Buffalo	10	8	1	1	17	33	19
Ottawa	11	6	3	2	14	36	34
Montreal	13	6	7	0	12	33	41
Boston	11	5	5	1	11	31	34
Toronto	11	1	7	3	5	26	45

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	13	8	2	3	19	48	39
Tampa Bay	10	4	3	3	11	29	34
Atlanta	9	4	4	1	9	31	28
Florida	11	3	7	1	7	28	44
Carolina	11	2	6	3	7	26	39

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OTPts	GF	GA
Chicago	13	8	4	1	17	39	31
Columbus	12	6	5	1	13	37	42
St. Louis	11	5	5	1	11	29	29
Nashville	12	5	6	1	11	24	36
Detroit	11	4	4	3	11	35	41

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OTPts	GF	GA
Colorado	14	10	2	2	22	45	31
Calgary	11	7	3	1	15	43	36
Edmonton	13	7	5	1	15	44	41
Vancouver	14	7	7	0	14	39	41
Minnesota	13	4	9	0	8	29	41

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OTPts	GF	GA
San Jose	14	9	4	1	19	47	37
Los Angeles	14	8	4	2	18	46	42
Dallas	13	6	2	5	17	46	41
Phoenix	12	8	4	0	16	32	23
Anaheim	11	4	6	1	9	32	39

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Friday's Games

Pittsburgh 4, Columbus 3, SO
N.Y. Islanders 4, Washington 3, OT
Buffalo 3, Toronto 2, OT
Minnesota 3, N.Y. Rangers 2
Florida 6, Dallas 5, SO
Chicago 3, Montreal 2
Anaheim 7, Vancouver 2
San Jose 3, Colorado 1

Today's Games

Edmonton at Boston, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Ottawa, 2 p.m.
New Jersey at Tampa Bay, 3 p.m.
Toronto at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Florida at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Anaheim at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Detroit at Calgary, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Boston at N.Y. Rangers, 1 p.m.
San Jose at Carolina, 1:30 p.m.
Columbus at Washington, 5 p.m.
Colorado at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

Penguins summary

Pittsburgh	0	1	2	0	**— 4**
Columbus	1	2	0	0	**— 3**

Pittsburgh won shootout 1-0

First Period—1, Columbus, Nash 7 (Brassard, Umberger), 18:13 (pp).

Second Period—2, Columbus, Nash 8 (Vermette, Commodore), 5:37. 3, Pittsburgh, Kunitz 2 (Crosby), 11:55 (sh). 4, Columbus, Dorsett 1 (Pahlsson, Vermette), 17:50.

Third Period—5, Pittsburgh, Fedotenko 3 (Skoula, Orpik), 17:04. 6, Pittsburgh, Goligoski 5 (Crosby, Kunitz), 17:43.

Overtime—None.

Shootout—Pittsburgh 1 (Letang NG, Crosby G), Columbus 0 (Vermette NG, Nash NG, Huselius NG).

Shots on Goal—Pittsburgh 12-5-12-3—32. Columbus 11-12-6-3—32.

Goalies—Pittsburgh, B.Johnson. Columbus, Mason. A—19,136 (18,144). T—2:40.

World Series

Today

New York (Pettite 14-8) at Philadelphia (Hamels 10-11), 7:57 p.m.

Sunday

New York (Pettitte 14-8) at Philadelphia (Hamels 10-11), 7:57 p.m.

PSAC football standings

West Division

	Conf. W	Conf. L	Overall W	Overall L
California	6	0	7	2
Edinboro	5	1	7	2
Clarion	5	1	6	3
Mercyhurst	3	3	4	5
Slippery Rock	2	4	5	4
Gannon	2	4	4	5
Indiana	1	5	4	5
Lock Haven	0	6	0	8

East Division

	Conf. W	Conf. L	Overall W	Overall L
Shippensburg	5	1	7	2
Bloomsburg	5	1	8	1
West Chester	4	2	5	4
C.W. Post	4	2	4	5
East Stroudsurg	3	3	6	3
Millersville	2	4	3	6
Kutztown	1	5	3	6
Cheyney	0	6	0	9

Today

Noon — Kutztown at C.W. Post

1 p.m. — Bloomsburg at West Chester; Millersville at East Stroudsburg; Gannon at Indiana; Clarion at Edinboro; Shippensburg at Cheyney; Slippery Rock at Lock Haven.

3:30 p.m. — Mercyhurst at California.

Big East football

	Conf. W	Conf. L	Overall W	Overall L
Pittsburgh	4	0	7	1
Cincinnati	3	0	7	0
USF	2	2	6	2
West Virginia	2	1	6	2
Connecticut	1	2	4	3
Rutgers	0	2	5	2
Syracuse	0	2	3	4
Louisville	0	3	2	5

Friday

South Florida 30, West Virginia 19

Toay

Cincinnati at Syracuse, noon (ESPNU)

Rutgers at Connecticut, noon

Arkansas State at Louisville, noon

Matt Barkley and USC will face Oregon at 8 p.m. on WTAE.

Sports dial

Today

Television

Noon - WTAE - Rutgers at Connecticut, college football.

Noon - WPMY - Mississippi at Auburn, college football.

Noon - WYTV - Akron at Northern Illinois,college football.

Noon - ESPN - Indiana at Iowa, college football.

Noon - ESPN2 - Purdue at Wisconsin, college football.

12:30 p.m. - Versus - Nebraska at Baylor, college football.

1:30 p.m. - Fox Sports - Missouri at Colorado, college football.

2:30 p.m. - Golf Channel - Viking Classic, golf.

3:30 p.m. - KDKA - Florida at Georgia, college football.

3:30 p.m. - WTAE - Michigan at Illinois, college football.

3:30 p.m. - ESPN2 - Miami (Fla.) at Wake Forest, college football.

4 p.m. - Versus - UNLV at Texas Christian, college football.

4:30 p.m. - ESPN - Penn State at Northwestern, college football.

4:30 p.m. - Golf Channel - Charles Schwab Cup Championship, golf.

7:30 p.m. - WPXI - Washington State vs Notre Dame, college football.

7:30 p.m. - Fox Sports - Minnesota at Pittsburgh, hockey.

7:45 p.m. - ESPN - South Carolina at Tennessee, college football.

8 p.m. - WPGH - New York Yankees at Philadelphia, baseball.

8 p.m. - WTAE - USC at Oregon, college football.

8 p.m. - ESPN2 - Texas at Oklahoma State, college football.

9 p.m. - SHO - Joseph Agbeko vs Yonnhy Perez; Antonio DeMarco vs Joise Alfaro, boxing.

9 p.m. - Versus - PBR Built Ford Tough Series, auto racing.

Sunday

Television

1 p.m. - KDKA - Denver at Baltimore, pro football.

1 p.m. - WPGH - San Francisco at Indianapolis, pro football.

1 p.m. - WTAE - Amp Energy 500, auto racing.

2 p.m. - WPXI - New York City Marathon, running.

2:30 p.m. - Golf Channel - Viking Classic, golf.

4 p.m. - WPGH - Minnesota at Green Bay, pro football.

4:30 p.m. - Fox Sports - Mercyhurst at California, college football, tape.

4:30 p.m. - Golf Channel - Charles Schwab Cup Championship, golf.

5 p.m. - ESPN2 - Los Angeles at Chivas USA, soccer.

8 p.m. - WPGH - New York Yankees at Philadelphia, baseball.

8:15 p.m. - ESPN - Marshall at Central Florida, college football.

Soccer playoffs

Boys

Class AAA

Quarterfinals

Today

At Mt. Lebanon

5 p.m. - Shaler (9-5-3) at Mt. Lebanon (16-1-1)

At North Allegheny

4 p.m. - Pine-Richland (11-4-2) vs Norwin (14-4-1)

At Chartiers Valley

3 p.m. - Peters Township (14-2-1) vs Bethel Park (15-3-1)

Class AA

Quarterfinals

Today

At Mt. Lebanon

3 p.m. - Mars (18-1) vs Southmoreland (14-3-1)

At North Hills

2 p.m. - Hampton (14-3) vs South Park (17-2)

4 p.m. - Beaver (12-5) vs Chartiers Valley (11-5-2)

Class A

Quarterfinals

Today

At North Allegheny

Noon - Freedom (14-2-1) vs Canevin (13-6)

Girls

Class AAA

Quarterfinals

Today

At North Allegheny

2 p.m. - Moon (17-0-1) vs Norwin (15-3-1)

At Chartiers Valley

1 p.m. - Peters Township (16-1-2) vs Mt. Lebanon (14-3-1)

5 p.m. - Canon-McMillan (15-5) vs Penn-Trafford (15-3-1)

At Mt. Lebanon

1 p.m. - Southmoreland (14-1-2) vs Seneca Valley (18-0-1).

Class AA

Quarterfinals

Today

At North Hills

Noon - South Park (16-1-2) vs Shady Side Academy (14-3-1)

MLS playoffs

Today

Columbus at Real Salt Lake, 6 p.m.

Chicago at New England, 4 p.m.

Sunday

Los Angeles at Chivas USA, 5 p.m.

Football summaries

Monessen 50, California 21

California	**0**	**14**	**0**	**7**	**- 21**
Monessen	**12**	**20**	**18**	**0**	**- 50**

Monessen - Stepoli (2 run)
Monessen - Stepoli (26 run)
Monessen - Crenshaw (5 run) Crenshaw (run)
California - Stinnett (38 pass from Martinak)
Monessen - Bollas (80 kickoff return)
California - Hunter (12 run) Hunter (pass from Martinak)
Monessen - Crenshaw (9 run)
Monessen - Cook (9 run)
Monessen - Crenshaw (13 run)
Monessen - Bollas (52 pass from Stepoli)
California - Kalbaugh (27 pass from Martinak) Wohar (kick)

Team statistics

	Mon	Cal
First downs	10	15
Rushing yds	129	64
Passing yds	125	169
Passes	10-13	10-22
Intercepted	0	0
Fumbles,lost	3-1	6-3
Penalties,yds	11-125	8-102
Punts,ave	3-22	4-30

Individual statistics

Rushing

Monessen - Cook, 6 for 69 yds, td; Crenshaw, 9 for 50 yds, 3 tds; Stepoli, 5 for 32 yds, 2 tds; Miller, 5 for 12 yds; K. Davis, 3 for 5 yds; D. Davis, 2 for 0 yds, Pinkney, 1 for -5 yds; Madison, 4 for -34 yds.

California - Hunter, 12 for 72 yds, td; Martinak, 18 for -8 yds.

Passing

Monessen - Stepoli, 10 of 12, 125 yds, td; Madison, 0 of 1.

California - Martinak, 10 of 22, 169 yds, 2 tds.

Receiving

Monessen - Bollas, 4 for 100 yds, td; Osborne, 1 for 16 yds. Francia, 2 for 12 yds, Miller, 1 for -3 yds.

California - Stinnett, 5 for 72 yds, td; Kalbaugh, 1 for 27 yds, td; D. Conway, 1 for 25 yds; Booth, 1 for 22 yds; Tonini, 1 for 7 yds; Hunter, 1 for 6 yds.

Belle Vernon Area 37, Elizabeth Forward 9

Elizabeth	9	0	0	0	- 9
BV Area	0	10	14	13	- 37

Elizabeth - Johnson (17, run)
Elizabeth - FG, Kalpakis (24)
BV Area - Green (13, run) Walko (kick)
BV Area - FG, Walko (32)
BV area - Cody Williams (37,run) Walko (kick)
BV Area - Thaye (24, pass from Dilmore) Walko (kick)
BV Area - Lynn (1, run) Walko (kick)
BV Area - Dilmore (1, run)

Team statistics

	EF	BVA
Firstdowns	8	12
Yds rushing	108	285
Yds passing	20	49
Passes	3-11-1	5-10-2
Fumbles, lost	2-2	2-0
Penalties, yds	3-33	5-55
Punts, avg	6-34	4-35

Individual statistics

Rushing

BV Area - Green, 22 for 199 yds; Cody Williams, 9 for 47 yds; Gruber, 4 for 16 yds; McNeil, 3 fo 14 yds; Sewchek, 4 for 13 yds; Lynn, 1 fo 1 yd; Dilmore, 4 for minus 5 yds.

Elizabeth - Sotereanos, 5 for 53 yds; Johnson, 10 for 46 yds; Hill, 6 for 15 yds; Pomilio, 6 for 0 ys; DeBaldo, 2 for minus 6 yds.

Passing

BV Area - Dilmore, 5 of 10 for 49 yds, 2 ints.

Elizabeth - Pomilio, 3 of 7 for 20 yds, 1 int; DeBaldo, 0 of 4.

Pass receiving

BV Area - Thayer, 1 for 24 yds; Dobbins, 1 for 16 yds; Cory Williams, 1 for 8 yds; Burrit, 1 for 2 yds; Green, 1 for mius 1 yd.

Elizabeth - Ranson, 1 for10 yds; Sotereanos, 1 for 5 yds; DeBaldo, 1 for 5 yds.

Trinity 24. Ringgold 10

Ringgold	3	0	7	0	- 10
Trinity	0	10	7	7	- 24

Ringgold - FG, Fransko (42)
Trinity - Richards (3, run) Cleveland (kick)
Trinity - FG, Cleveland (21)
Trinity - Richards (3, run) Cleveland (kick)
Ringgold - Rands (1, run) Fransko (kick)
Trinity - Richards (1, run) Cleveland (kick)

Mt. Pleasant 36, Charleroi 20

Mt. Pleasant	6	3	14	13	- 36
Charleroi	6	0	6	7	- 20

Mt. Pleasant - Ansell (5, run)
Charleroi - Briggs (35, run)
Mt. Pleasant - FG, Remaley (21)
Charleroi - Thorpe (1, run) Black (kick)
Mt. Pleasant - Ansell (4, run) Remaley (kick)
Mt. Pleasant - Rosebosky (1,run) Remaley(kick0
Charleroi - Shannon (29, pass from Thorpe) Black(kick)
Mt. Pleasant - Wagner (88, kick return)
Mt. Pleasant - Ferree (5, pass from Mellers) Remaley(kick).

Yough 56, Southmoreland 28

S'moreland	0	14	7	7	- 28
Yough	0	28	7	21	- 56

S'moreland - McKiveen (48,pass from Datz) Hixson (kick)
Yough - Gross (3,run) Moore (kick)
Yough- Gross (13, run) Moore (kick)
Yough - Slor (26, interception) Moore (kick)
Yough - Gelet (3, run) Moore (kick)
S'moreland - McKiveen (5, pass from Datz) H ixson (kick)
Yough - Milinek (30, interception) Moore (kick0
S'moreland - Datz (10,run) Hixson (kick)
Yough - Madden (55, pass fom Gelet) Moore (kick)
S'moreland - Datz (2, run) Hixson (kick)
Yough - Gross(17, run) Moore (kick)
Yough - Gross (18, run) Moore (kick)

Frazier 8, Bentworth 0

Bentworth	0	0	0	0	- 0
Frazier	8	0	0	0	- 8

Frazier - Kirmeyer (2, run) Kline (run)

High school football

Class AAA

Big Seven Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
T. Jefferson	6	0	9	0
Chartiers Valley	5	1	8	1
BV Area	3	3	5	4
Trinity	3	3	4	5
West Mifflin	2	4	5	4
Elizabeth Forward	1	5	4	5
Ringgold	1	5	3	6

Friday

BV Area 31. Elizabeth 9
Trinity 24, Ringgold 10
T. Jefferson 42, West Mifflin 0
Char Valley 45, Al Gallatin 19

Keystone Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Greensburg Salem	6	0	8	1
Uniontown	5	1	6	3
Laurel Highlands	3	3	3	6
Derry	3	3	3	6
Albert Gallatin	2	4	3	6
Yough	2	4	2	7
S'moreland	0	6	0	9

Friday

Grb. Salem 14, Derry 6
Uniontown 40, L. Highlands 22
Yough 56, S'moreland 28

Class AA

Interstate Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Mt. Pleasant	9	0	9	0
McGuffey	7	2	7	2
Greensburg Central	7	2	4	2
Washington	6	3	6	3
Charleroi	5	4	5	4
Jeannette	5	4	5	4
Waynesburg	3	6	3	6
East Allegheny	2	7	2	7
Brownsville	1	8	1	8
South Allegheny	0	9	0	9

Friday

Mt. Pleasant 36,Charleroi 20
Grb. Central 49, Jeannette 18
McGuffey14, Washington 12
Waynesburg 29, Brownsville 19
East Allegheny 6, S. Allegheny 3

Class A

Tri-County South

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Monessen	7	0	7	2
Beth-Center	5	1	6	2
Jefferson-Morgan	5	2	7	2
California	3	4	4	5
Carmichaels	4	3	4	5
Geibel	2	4	3	5
Mapletown	1	6	1	8
West Greene	0	7	0	9

Friday

Monessen 50, California 21
Carmichaels 42, West Greene 7
Jeff-Morgan 42, Mapletown 8

Today

Beth-Center at Geibel (Noon)

Black Hills Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Clairton	7	0	8	1
Serra	5	2	7	2
Fort Cherry	5	2	7	2
Chartiers-Houston	3	4	5	4
Burgettstown	3	4	4	5
Frazier	3	4	4	5
Bentworth	1	6	2	7
Avella	1	6	2	6

Friday

Frazir 8, Bentworth 0
Clairton 39, Serra 7
Burgettstown 21, Avella 13
Fort Cherry 18, C-Houston 15

NBA standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	3	0	1.000	—
Philadelphia	1	1	.500	1 1/2
Toronto	1	1	.500	1 1/2
New Jersey	0	2	.000	2 1/2
New York	0	2	.000	2 1/2

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	2	0	1.000	—
Miami	2	0	1.000	—
Orlando	2	0	1.000	—
Charlotte	1	1	.500	1
Washington	1	1	.500	1

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	1	1	.500	—
Detroit	1	1	.500	—
Cleveland	1	2	.333	1/2
Milwaukee	0	1	.000	1/2
Indiana	0	2	.000	1

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	1	1	.500	—
Houston	1	1	.500	—
Memphis	1	1	.500	—
New Orleans	1	1	.500	—
San Antonio	1	1	.500	—

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	2	0	1.000	—
Oklahoma City	2	0	1.000	—
Minnesota	1	1	.500	1
Portland	1	1	.500	1
Utah	0	1	.000	1 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	2	0	1.000	—
L.A. Lakers	1	1	.500	1
Golden State	0	2	.000	2
Sacramento	0	2	.000	2
L.A. Clippers	0	3	.000	2 1/2

Friday's Games

Philadelphia 99, Milwaukee 86
Charlotte 102, New York 100, 2OT
Atlanta 100, Washington 89
Boston 118, Chicago 90
Miami 96, Indiana 83
Memphis 115, Toronto 107
Orlando 95, New Jersey 85
Cleveland 104, Minnesota 87
New Orleans 97, Sacramento 92
Oklahoma City 91, Detroit 83
L.A. Clippers at Utah, 9 p.m.
Phoenix 123, Golden State 101
Dallas 94, L.A. Lakers 80

Today's Games

New Jersey at Washington, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Sacramento at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Dallas at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Orlando at Toronto, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Boston, 6 p.m.
Chicago at Miami, 6 p.m.
Portland at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Denver, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Atlanta at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Latest Line

BEST BET: Texas El Paso is 0-14 vs. the spread as a favorite of 12 points or less and 5-14 vs. the spread its last 19 games when facing a team with a losing record. Ala-Birmingham is 5-2 vs. the spread its last 7 conference games. The Blazers' rushing attack is averaging a very solid 6.1 yards per carry and that should make for a close game. Take Ala-Birmingham +7 for another Best Bet winner. Other plays include Syracuse +15 vs. Cincinnati, Central Michigan +5 vs. Boston College, and Utah -18 vs. Wyoming.

NFL

Favorite	Points	Underdog
Sunday, Nov 1		
Week Eight		
BALTIMORE	3 1/2	(41) Denver
CHICAGO	13	(40) Cleve.
Houston	3	(41) BUFFALO
GREEN BAY	3	(47) Minnesota
INDIANA.	12	(44) San Fran
NY JETS	3	(40) Miami
DETROIT	4	(43) St. Louis
DALLAS	9 1/2	(45) Seattle
SAN DIEGO	16 1/2	(43) Oakland
TENNESSEE	3	(44) J'ville
ARIZONA	10	(41) Carolina
NY Giants	1	(44) PHILA
Monday, Nov 2		
N. ORLEANS	10 1/2	(54) Atlanta

Bye Week: Cincinnati, Kansas City, New England, Pittsburgh, Tampa Bay, and Washington.

College Football

Favorite	Points	Underdog
CONN.	7	Rutgers
Cincinnati	15	SYRACUSE
BOS. COLL.	5	C. Michigan
Ohio	6	BALL ST
VIRGINIA	7 1/2	Duke
IOWA	17 1/2	Indiana
WISCONSIN	7	Purdue
Miami-Florida	6 1/2	WAKE FOREST
FLORIDA ST	10	NC State
N. ILLINOIS	12	Akron
OHIO ST	44	New Mexico St
Ga Tech	11 1/2	VANDERBILT
TEXAS A&M	6	Iowa St
Mississippi	4	AUBURN
ARKANSAS	36	E. Michigan
KENT ST	2 1/2	W. Michigan
Nebraska	13	BAYLOR
TULSA	16 1/2	Smu
TEX.EL PASO	7	Ala-Birm.
BOISE ST	36	San Jose St
a-FLORIDA	15	Georgia
Toledo	5	MIAMI-OHIO
OREGON ST	9 1/2	Ucla
NAVY	7	Temple
California	6 1/2	ARIZONA ST
Michigan	7	ILLINOIS
Missouri	4	COLORADO
OKLAHOMA	28	Kansas St
Texas	9 1/2	OKLA ST
NEVADA	27 1/2	Hawaii
TCU	35	Univ
Air Force	6 1/2	COLORADO ST
Penn St	17 1/2	N'WESTERN
IDAHO	3	Louisiana Tech
FRESNO ST	17	Utah St
KENTUCKY	3 1/2	Mississippi St
TEXAS TECH	6 1/2	Kansas
S. DIEGO ST	16	New Mexico
b-N. Dame	27 1/2	Wash St
TENNESSEE	6	S. Carolina
Southern Cal	3	OREGON
HOUSTON	6 1/2	Southern Miss
UTAH	18	Wyoming
LSU	36	Tulane
Michigan St	3 1/2	MINNESOTA
LOUISVILLE	2 1/2	Arkansas St
FLA INTER.	3 1/2	UL-Lafayette
N. TEXAS	13	W. Kentucky
FLORIDA ATL	2	Middle Tenn St
TROY	14	UL-Monroe
Sunday, Nov 1		
C. FLORIDA	7	Marshall

a-at Jacksonville, FL.
b-at San Antonio, TX.

Baseball

Favorite	Odds	Underdog
World Series		
Series is tied at 1-1		
NY Yankees	Even-6	PHILA

NBA

Favorite	Points	Underdog
WASHINGTON	7 1/2	New Jersey
CLEVELAND	13	Charlotte
Philadelphia	2	NEW YORK
Portland	4	HOUSTON
x-MILWAUKE	OFF	Detroit
S. ANTONIO	16	Sacramento
Dallas	4	LA CLIPPERS

x-Detroit guard R. Hamilton is doubtful.

NHL

Favorite	Goals	Underdog
PHILA	1/2-1	Carolina
BOSTON	1/2-1	Edmonton
OTTAWA	1/2-1	Atlanta
TAMPA BAY	Even-1/2	New Jersey
Buffalo	Even-1/2	NY ISL.
MONTREAL	Even-1/2	Toronto
PITTSBURGH	1/2-1	Minnesota
ST. LOUIS	1/2-1	Florida
NASHVILLE	Even-1/2	Dallas
PHOENIX	Even-1/2	Anaheim
CALGARY	Even-1/2	Detroit

HOME TEAM IN CAPS

Sports moves

BASEBALL

National League

MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Named Chris Boslo major league advance scout.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Named Carlos Garcia first base coach and Infield instructor.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Agreed to terms with 2B Freddy Sanchez on a two-year contract

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

PHOENIX SUNS—Exercised their options on the contracts of F Jared Dudley and C Robin Lopez for the 2010-11 season. Declined the option on the contract of G-F Alando Tucker.

WASHINGTON WIZARDS—Exercised the 2010-11 contract options on G Nick Young and C JaVale McGee for the season.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL—Fined Arizona S Antrel Rolle $7,500 hit on New York Giants TE Kevin Boss in an Oct. 25 game. Fined Indianapolis CB Jacob Lacey $10,000 for unsportsmanlike conduct when he went to the ground to celebrate after a touchdown in an Oct. 25 game at St. Louis. Fined Carolina RB DeAngelo Williams $5,000 for an illegal chop block in an Oct. 25 game against Buffalo. Fined Cleveland LB Kaluka Maiava $5,000 for unnecessary roughness on his hit of Green Bay WR Greg Jennings in an Oct. 25 game.

NFL schedule

Sunday, Nov. 1

St. Louis at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Miami at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Dallas, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Denver at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Houston at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Oakland at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
Jacksonville at Tennessee, 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Green Bay, 4:15 p.m.
Carolina at Arizona, 4:15 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 2

Atlanta at New Orleans, 8:30 p.m.

Men's basketball Top 25

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' preseason 2009-10 college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, final 2008-09 records, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last year's final ranking:

	W-L	Pts	Pvs
1. Kansas (55)	27-8	1,612	14
2. Michigan St.(5)	31-7	1,515	8
3. Texas (1)	23-12	1,397	—
4. Kentucky (3)	22-14	1,372	—
5. Villanova	30-8	1,347	11
6. N. Carolina (1)	34-4	1,320	2
7. Purdue	27-10	1,284	17
8. WestVirginia	23-12	1,115	—
9. Duke	30-7	1,064	6
10. Tennessee	21-13	897	—
11. Butler	26-6	864	22
12. Connecticut	31-5	844	5
13. California	22-11	800	—
14. Washington	26-9	776	15
15. Michigan	21-14	578	—
16. OhioSt.	22-11	465	—
17. Oklahoma	30-6	410	7
18. Miss. St.	23-13	393	—
19. Louisville	31-6	335	1
20. Georgetown	16-15	326	—
21. Dayton	27-8	318	—
22. Georgia Tech	12-19	301	—
23. Illinois	24-10	282	—
24. Clemson	23-9	217	24
25. Minnesota	22-11	172	—

Others receiving votes: Maryland 171, Siena 112, Notre Dame 107, Florida St. 92, Vanderbilt 90, Syracuse 83, Oklahoma St. 65, UCLA 63, Florida 53, Wake Forest 50, Xavier 42, Gonzaga 37, South Carolina 28, Kansas St. 24, BYU 21, N. Iowa 16, Tulsa 16, Mississippi 15, Texas A&M 10, Missouri 8, Boston College 6, Pittsburgh 4, Utah St. 2, Va. Commonwealth 2, W. Kentucky 2, Holy Cross 1, Old Dominion 1.

Women's basketball Top 25

The top 25 teams in the The Associated Press' preseason 2009-10 women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, final 2008-09 records, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last year's final ranking:

	W-L	Pts	Pvs
1.UConn (40)	39-0	1,000	1
2.Stanford	33-5	951	2
3.OhioSt.	29-6	862	10
4.Notre Dame	22-9	799	23
5.North Carolina	28-7	798	11
6.Duke	27-6	772	6
7.Baylor	29-6	744	5
8.Tennessee	22-11	676	18
9.LSU	19-11	600	—
10. Michigan St.	22-11	521	—
11. Xavier	25-7	492	20
12. Texas	21-12	487	25
13. Oklahoma	32-5	404	4
14. Virginia	24-10	394	24
15. Florida St.	26-8	385	12
16. Arizona St.	26-9	317	19
17. DePaul	23-10	301	—
18. California	27-7	294	13
19. Georgia Tech	22-10	262	—
20. Kansas	22-14	241	—
21. Georgia	18-14	201	—
22.

FEATURES

CALENDAR WATCH

Sunday

■ Smorgasbord dinner, St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, Sixth Street and Marne Avenue, Monongahela, noon; Chinese auction and bingo, 4 to 7 p.m.

■ Bazaar, St. Nicholas Church, 302 Third Ave., Brownsville, noon to 6 p.m.

■ Concert, featuring Rich Pantaleo and Orchestra, Monessen High School auditorium, 2 p.m.

■ Grocery bingo, Holy Ghost Social Center, Ninth Street and Meadow Avenue, Charleroi, 1:30 p.m.

Monday

■ Take my Hand Bereavement Support Group meeting, First Presbyterian Church, 609 Chess St., Monongahela, 7 p.m.

■ Overeaters Anonymous meeting, Rehoboth Presbyterian Church, Rostraver Township, 10:30 a.m.

■ Mid-Mon Valley Shipmates meeting, James C. Ford Post 949 American Legion, Carroll Township, 7 p.m.

■ "The Gift of Presence," tips for having meaningful visits with persons with dementia, Westmoreland Manor Multi Purpose Room, 2 p.m.

VALLEY GRAPEVINE

Election eve rally planned in Monessen

The Monessen Democratic Committee will hold an election eve rally 7 p.m. Monday at the Italian Club on Seventh Street. Free food will be provided.

Donora Historical Society to meet

The Donora Historical Society will hold its monthly meeting 7 p.m. Monday at Calvary Presbyterian Church, Thompson Avenue. Historian James Bailey will present a period of time when the Whiskey Rebellion occurred and the responsibilities of a local statesman Albert Gallatin, when he served as treasurer of the still-young country of the U.S.

Tobacco Free Coalition to meet

The Monessen Tobacco Free Coalition will meet 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday at the Monessen Public Library and District Center conference room.

NAACP to meet in Monessen

The monthly business meeting of the Mon Valley NAACP will be held 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Mon Valley Community Health Center, Eastgate 8, Monessen, fourth floor, boardroom A.

Shopping event set at senior center

"Holiday Bliss-Shop for a Cause," will be held 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday at the Center on the Hill, Washington Township. Jewelry, specialty foods, accessories and home décor vendors will attend. Light refreshments, entertainment, basket raffles and more will be included. Bring gold and silver jewelry and cash in with an on-site gold buyer. Tickets can be purchased in advance by calling Pat Beneccio at the center at (724) 930-8512. The event will benefit senior programs at the Center on the Hill.

Free flu vaccines offered in Monessen

The Pennsylvania Department of Health and Washington County Health Partners will provide a free flu vaccine, administered by the Health Affairs Committee of the Mon Valley NAACP, 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Gate of Heaven Church of God in Christ, 644 Reed Ave., Monessen. To register, call (724) 797-1814.

Charleroi Lions to meet Thursday

Members of the Charleroi Lions Club will meet 6:30 p.m. Thursday and Nov. 19 at the JEM Lounge, Fallowfield Township.

Relatives as Parents group plans meeting

The Southwest PA Area Agency on Aging Inc. Relatives as Parents will meet 6 p.m. Thursday at the Washington Care Center, 75 East Maiden St. Free childcare is available. For information call (724) 489-8082, extension 4646.

MARS to meet Thursday morning

MARS members will meet and nominate officers 11:30 a.m. Thursday.

Monessen School Board to meet

There will be a public information meeting of the Monessen School Board 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the elementary center board room.

WEDDINGS

Watts-Soroka

Pam Watts and Phil Soroka, of Donora, were united in marriage July 11, 2009, at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, Donora, with the Very Rev. Igor Soroka officiating.

The bride is the daughter of the late Helen and Charles Watts, of Donora. The groom is the son of the Very Rev. Igor Soroka, of Donora, and the late Irene Soroka.

Matron of honor was Kathleen Ziats, of Marianna, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids included Stephanie Ziats, of Marianna, niece of the bride; Larissa Soroka, Jeanette, sister of the groom; Alexandra Soroka, Wexford, niece of the groom; and Tracy Cutri, of Steubenville. Flower girl was Alexandra Milchovich, of Venetia.

Best man was Mathew Soroka, of Wexford, brother of the groom. Groomsmen included Rich Ludwig, of Donora; Shane Ziats, Marianna, nephew of the bride; Gregory Soroka, Wexford, nephew of the groom; and Mark Soroka, of Donora, brother of the groom.

A reception was held at the St. Spyridon Hellenic Center in Monessen.

The couple honeymooned in Ocean City, Md..

Pam and Phil Soroka

The bride is a Metro Christian, Belle Vernon, graduate and is employed with the Ringgold School District in Donora. The groom graduated from the Ringgold School District, Monongahela, and is also employed with the Ringgold School District in Donora.

VALLEY CLUB NOTES

Corning/World Kitchen Retirees

The Corning/World Kitchen Retirees met 2 p.m. Oct. 13 at Riverside Place, Charleroi.

President Colette Sphar called the meeting to order with a prayer and the flag pledge.

A moment of silence was held for members who had passed away since the last meeting.

Minutes were read by Wilma Demko. The treasurer's report was given by Jeanette Purcell.

Sphar introduced Frank Cornish and Janet George as new members.

Sphar discussed the Christmas party, which will be held 2 p.m. Dec. 8 at Salatino's Riverhouse Café. There will also be a Chinese auction. Reservations and payments will be accepted at the Nov. 10 meeting. Reservation deadline is Dec. 1.

Happy Birthday was sung to Carmen Patrick, Paul Kuma and Marge Smida.

Joseph Tobal won the membership drawing. Patrick and George won the activity drawing. Half and half was won by Frank Mocilan and Helen Bellan. Jeanette Purcell won for the first time.

Election of officers will be held at the next meeting, 2 p.m. Nov. 10.

The meeting was adjourned and coffee and rolls were served by Dorothy Yeager.

St. Michael Ladies Society

The St. Michael Ladies Society October meeting was opened in prayer by the Rev. Fred Pfeil. President Joan Rakosky called the meeting to order.

The Middle Eastern dinner was a huge success. Upcoming bread sale is scheduled for Nov. 14. Large loaves and pita are for sale. Pre-orders will be taken by Rakosky at (724) 483-8884 or Pfeil at (724) 684-7460. St. Michaels' Day will be held on Nov. 8. A covered dish luncheon will be held in the church hall following Divine Liturgy. The Ladies Society will be soliciting donations for dry goods, candy, and personal items that can be shipped to military members overseas for Christmas. The deadline is Nov. 22. Also the annual Baklawa and Kibbee trays sale will be Dec. 11 and 12. Pre-orders are to be made to (724) 483-8884 or (724) 344-0831. The ladies' Christmas party will be held at The Riverhouse restaurant in Charleroi 1 p.m. Dec. 13. It is open to all women of the parish. Anyone interested should see Barbara Daumit. Any upcoming events can be found on St. Michael A.O.C. Web site: www.stmichaelaoc.org.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 15.

ENGAGEMENTS

Hevia-Strimel

William and Carol Hevia, of Donora, announced the engagement of their daughter, Erin Lee Hevia, to Adlin Joseph Strimel III, son of Adlin J. and Kim Strimel, of Houston, Pa.

Hevia is a 2004 Ringgold High School graduate. She is a graduate of California University of Pennsylvania, where she earned a bachelor of science degree in communication disorders and is currently working toward a master of education degree in mentally/physically handicapped and autism specialization. She is currently student teaching in the Belle Vernon Area School District. She plans to graduate Dec. 18 from Cal U.

Strimel is a 2004 Chartiers-Houston High School graduate. He is a graduate of California University of Pennsylvania, where he earned a bachelor of science degree in technology education. He is employed with Fort Leboeuf School District in Waterford, Pa., as a technology education teacher, along with being an assistant varsity football coach.

Hevia is the granddaughter of Albert R. and Mary J. Mann, of Monongahela, and Modesto "Babe" and Mary Jane Hevia, of Donora. Strimel is the grandson of Joseph and Doris Volen, of Meadowlands, and Adlin D. and Margaret Strimel, of Houston.

The couple is planning a 2011 wedding.

Erin Lee Hevia & Adlin J. Strimel III

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: O equals U

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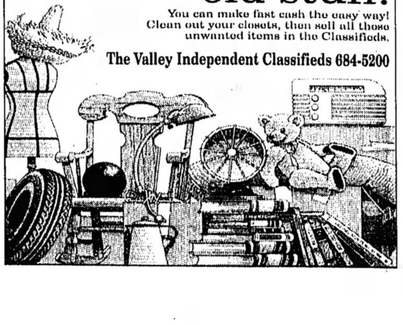

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Articles

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Auto

Articles

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Pets

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In the year ahead, don't stop learning everything you can in your field of operation. Knowledge is the power that will bring you whatever you're striving to achieve. The more you have, the further you can go in life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- If you're overly assertive when it comes to dealing with others, you can expect a strong negative reaction in return. Instead of bossing people around, support their efforts.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- If someone does something you dislike, don't let it smolder inside and spoil your day. Find a diplomatic and friendly way to bring the matter out in the open, so it can be resolved.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Disappointment can ruin your day if you let something unexpected -- and potentially profitable -- be the defining factor. Keep everything in perspective.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- When it comes to a partnership arrangement, make sure that each person is targeting the same objective and operating off compatible work sheets. A collective effort is necessary to achieve success.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Anything you do out of spite will have a boomerang effect, hurting you more than the person you're trying to penalize. If you let it, time will even the score.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Conditions in general could be tricky. For example, something you may want to change that would benefit you could be detrimental to another. You could lose in either case.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Keep private any disagreement between you and your mate. Once you open the door to others, things could get tricky and complicated.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Don't let problems erupt between you and a co-worker over whose method is better. If each is equally good, toss a coin to decide the procedure.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- It won't matter if you are the seller or the buyer when it comes to commercial affairs. Problems are likely to occur unless the negotiations are handled with extreme diplomacy and skill.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Don't think you have to be right all the time, or you could end up a provocateur, not a peacemaker. People in general have a low kindling point, so be careful.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Don't delegate jobs or responsibilities assigned to you because it'll cause big trouble in the end. Conversely, protect yourself from becoming a "patsy" when doing another's work.

LIBRA (Sept. 3-Oct. 23) -- Be sure that you know what you're talking about before offering a friend financial or business advice. If you're dispensing hearsay information or the facts are inaccurate, you'll be held accountable.

Valley
JUBILATION

Area man leaves classroom for pulpit

Retired Ringgold English teacher Bob Hanna was ordained to the priesthood Sept. 26.

By CHRIS BUCKLEY
Staff Writer
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The Rev. Bob Hanna, left, is seen with Bishop William Ilgenfritz during his ordination into the priesthood Sept. 26. Hanna is serving as Ilgenfritz's assistant at St. Mary Church in Charleroi, which is now aligned with the Anglican faith.

His students used to call him "teacher preacher."

Recently, Bob Hanna made the transition from the classroom to the pulpit.

Having retired from the Ringgold School District in June, the Rev. Bob Hanna was ordained to the priesthood Sept. 26.

He is serving at St. Mary Church in Charleroi.

Hanna grew up in Donora and graduated in 1970, the first class of Ringgold High School, in the Donora Division.

He graduated from California State College, now California University of Pennsylvania, earning a bachelor's degree in English.

He taught English for 32 years, the first eight at Finley Junior High and the bulk at Ringgold High School.

"I always enjoyed teaching and felt that was what God wanted me to do," Hanna said. "From the time I was 5 years old, I knew I wanted to be a teacher.

"I enjoyed every moment of teaching. I always enjoyed being in the classroom."

Hanna said he felt he had something to offer the students, including his love of literature, writing and the English language.

Hanna saw a parallel between the classroom and the church.

"I saw my teaching as a vocation," Hanna said. "Sometimes the students would come to me with their problems. Somehow, you could say something to help a student see an answer more clearly."

Like a minister, sometimes just listening was enough to help his students. he said.

"They say there is no prayer in public school," Hanna said. "Well, there was prayer for me. I always prayed for the students in my mind."

And those prayers did not go unnoticed, he said.

"Over the years, I received notes from certain students saying how they appreciated what I did for them," Hanna said. "It's always nice to hear something like that because you want to know that you're doing something positive. It's nice to hear from former students because you learn how you touched their lives."

Hanna grew up in St. John Episcopal Church, Donora.

His call to the ministry was seen by others even before it became apparent to him.

He recalled a conversation he had in 1982, with Debbie Bruckart, the wife of the Rev. Robert Bruckart.

The young priest was a very dynamic church leader who, despite being just a year older than Hanna, got him involved in church "through his leadership."

"One day, his wife, Debbie, said to me, 'Bob, have you ever through about becoming a priest? Bob (Bruckart) and I were talking and we said we thought one day you would become a priest,'" Hanna recalled.

Hanna remained active in the church, including leading a church Bible study at St. John Church for more than 20 years.

In 1998, Hanna had a life-altering experience. He suffered complications from an operation so severe that one doctor gave him only weeks to live.

He became depressed.

"One night in the hospital, I cried out to the Lord," Hanna said. "I heard a voice say, 'Be still and know that I am God.' I knew everything was going to be OK."

Hanna became an ordained minister in 2005 and was assigned to his home parish. Although not an ordained priest, the bishop chose Hanna to lead that parish.

He was assigned to St. Mary Church in Charleroi in 2007. It was there that he met the Rev. William Ilgenfritz, who "took me under his wing."

"He's such a wonderful

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Emma Jene Lelik/For The Valley Independent

Deacon John Hanchin, of St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, Monessen, presided at the Rosary Rally held at Monessen City Park walking track earlier this month. More than 3,000 rallies were held worldwide on Oct. 10, marking the anniversary of the final apparition of the Blessed Mother to three Portuguese children in Fatima 92 years ago.

Priest born in Roscoe retires after 49 years

By EMMA JENE LELIK
For Jubilation

REV. EDWARD S. LITAVEC

The Rev. Edward S. Litavec is ending a long career as a parish pastor.

Fortunately, the popular priest will continue serving the public at religious retreats, days of recollection and "when needed."

A native of Roscoe, Litavec graduated from California High School.

After eight years in St. Vincent Seminary, he was ordained a priest on March 25, 1960.

He was pastor of St. Dominic Catholic Church, Donora, from 1972 to 1981 and then served in that capacity at St. Bonaventure Church, Glenshaw, for the next 10 years, leaving in 1991.

Litavec was pastor of St. Oliver Plunket Parish, Fredericktown-Marianna, from 1991 to 2002.

He was in residence at Sacred Heart Parish, Shadyside, Pittsburgh, for two years during a period of recuperation after surgery.

In 2004, he was appointed pastor of St. Mary Czestochowa Church in McKeesport. The following year, St. Pius Church, also in McKeesport, was added to his duties.

Litavec remains a popular visiting celebrant at the Charismatic Masses in St. Sebastian Church, Belle Vernon, and presides at retreats at St. Emma's, Greensburg.

In July he gave a retreat for the Blessed Sacrament Sisters in Philadelphia.

Litavec began his retirement on Oct. 5.

He will continue residing at Sacred Heart Parish, Shadyside.

Monessen church guild honors city native for 50 years as nun

Sister Elaine Kisinko has warm memories of city and St. Mary Church.

By EMMA JENE LELIK
For Jubilation

"Monessen and St. Mary's Church are still a part of me," says Sister Elaine Kisinko.

A Monessen native, Sister Elaine is observing her 50th year as a member of the Order of St. Basil the Great, Uniontown.

Honored recently by the Ladies Guild of St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, she reminisced about her early life in St. Mary Church.

"My first memory of attending services was that I was so small, I saw only the back of the pew in front of me," she said.

"It was no option for us – we all went to church.

"I recall being in the children's choir and sometimes we got to sing in the choir loft.

"Hearing the church bells ring several minutes before services is still fresh in my mind.

"I remember the Lenten services on Friday nights that lasted almost two hours. The pastor delivered sermons in both English and Ruski."

She spoke about the Order's foundress, Mother Macrina, "coming from Europe with nothing."

"And now we continue at Mount St. Macrina," she said.

Sister Elaine complimented the Guild members on their 60th anniversary by telling them:

"God holds it in His heart by everything you did for Him and His church."

Sister Elaine had served for a number of years as teacher and principal at parish schools in Pennsylvania, Connecticut, New Jersey, Illinois and Ohio.

In addition, she was in administration as a member of the Renewal Team for the Community and as Provincial councilor and secretary.

She was instrumental in reorganizing the gift shop card department at Mount St. Macrina, bringing it into the computer age.

When most might think of retiring, Sister Elaine was called to still another ministry, that of personal secretary to Metropolitan Archbishop Judson Procyk.

Presently, she continues in that capacity to Metropolitan Archbishop Basil M. Schott.

Sister Elaine was accompanied to the golden jubilee observance in Monessen by Sister Carol Petrasovich, also celebrating her 50th year as a member of the Sisters of St. Basil the Great.

She is currently the director of the House of Prayer at Mount St. Macrina.

Sister Carol gives individual spiritual direction and conducts retreats and workshops.

Members of St. Mary participate in an annual Sunday afternoon retreat during Lent.

Emma Jene Lelik/For The Valley Independent

St. Mary Ladies Guild, Monessen, honored one of its own, Sister Elaine Kisinko, and also Sister Carol Petrasovich on the nuns' golden jubilees. From left are Deacon John Hanchin, Guild President Ruth Hanchin, Vice President and charter member Agnes Popovich, Sister Elaine, Sister Carol and the Rev. Stephen Wahal, St. Mary administrator.

JUBLIATION

Evangelists target New England area

Surveys indicate the region is the least religious in the U.S.

By JAY LINDSAY
Associated Press Writer

WATERTOWN, Mass. — It's hard to tell in the quiet of a color-splashed autumn morning, but Redeemer Fellowship Church is trying to set roots in a rough neighborhood.

For churches, anyway.

Until this new church opened last month, its 19th-century Congregational church building in suburban Watertown was empty for nearly two years.

Just across the street, a closed Baptist church is filled with condos. So is a former Catholic church a half mile away.

Dead churches are a familiar story in New England, which recent surveys indicate is now the least religious region in the country. But some see opportunity in a place where America's Christian faith laid its roots.

"You look at this area and it's a great area of potential, it's a great area of need," said Redeemer Fellowship pastor Chris Bass, a Houston native.

Several Christian denominations see New England as a "mission field" — a term often associated with unchurched, foreign lands. As they evangelize and work to plant new churches, they speak of possibility, but also frustration. The area's highly educated population is skeptical and often indifferent to their faith.

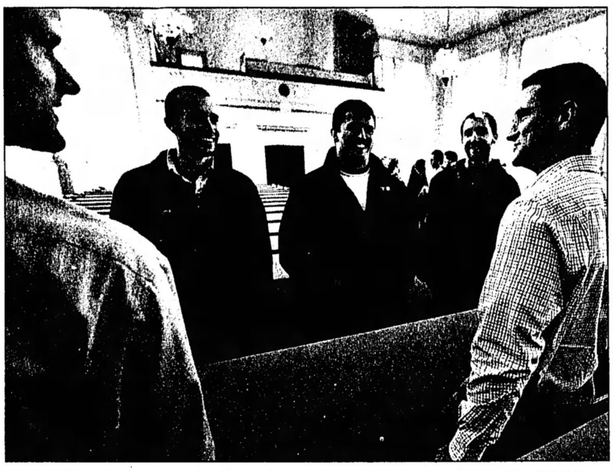
"About once every hour, I give up. It's tough, man," said a half-joking Joe Souza, a Southern Baptist missionary working north of Boston. "It's like, you found a cure for cancer and you want to give it away and nobody wants it."

Trinity College's American Religious Identification Survey released this year showed New England overtaking the Pacific Northwest as the least religious region in the country. Twenty-two percent of respondents here said they have no religious faith of any kind, highest in the U.S.

In a Gallup poll this year, all six New England states were in the Top 10 least religious in the country, with Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine and Massachusetts claiming the top four spots.

New England's religious apathy has developed over decades, but it's striking where the Pilgrims landed seeking religious freedom and the great 18th-century preacher Jonathan Edwards helped spark the First Great Awakening. Stately churches near town centers all over the region are reminders of the central importance religion once held.

Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut do host the nation's heaviest concentration of Catholics, but those numbers have dropped substantially.



Associated Press

The Rev. Chris Bass, right, speaks with from left, Jon Pombo, of Cleveland; Peter Tooley, of Wooster, Ohio, and Billy Rogerson, of Duxbury, Mass., as pastoral intern Eric Botzet, left, looks on, after a service at the recently opened Redeemer Fellowship Church in Watertown, Mass., one of the churches recently opened by Baptist missionaries in New England.

Hanna

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teacher, a man of faith who loves the Lord," Hanna said.

Ilgenfritz was ordained as Bishop of the Missionary Diocese of All Saints of the Anglican Church in North America on Aug. 22.

The former Episcopal church, St. Mary, is now aligned with the Anglican faith.

One of Ilgenfritz's first duties as bishop was to ordain Hanna as a priest on Sept. 26.

"As Christians we're never done growing," Hanna said.

"I hope I always grow," he added.

In his new role, Ilgenfritz will travel extensively.

Just last week, for instance, Ilgenfritz was in London, but he left for the state of California on Thursday.

As Ilgenfritz's assistant at St. Marys, Hanna will minister to the parish while the bishop is away.

"When I was at St. John, I was teaching and doing fulltime ministry at same time," Hanna said

"I felt I should retire and work in the church fulltime."

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RELIGION

VALLEY CHURCH BRIEFS

Pastor returning to Roscoe church

Sunday worship service at the Roscoe Presbyterian Church will welcome back its pastor, Matthew Campion, to preach and lead the service.

The 11 a.m. service will conclude with the annual congregational meeting to elect officers, moderated by the Rev. Millie Adams.

Sunday school program set

The Sunday school of Union Baptist Church, Monessen, will hold its annual Sunday school program tomorrow.

The theme this year is "Study to Show Thy Self Approved" reflecting on the scripture: II Timothy 2:15. The morning service will begin at 11 with the Pastor of Union Baptist Church, Verton L. Dean Sr., delivering the message.

The Sunday school program will begin at 4 p.m. with Elder William C. Bass, pastor of the Gate of Heaven Church of God in Christ, Monessen, delivering the message.

The program will also feature Master of Ceremonies, Deacon Craig A. Rice, who is one of the Sunday school teachers at Union Baptist Church, along with Sunday school superintendent/teacher and program chairperson, Deaconess Rella M. Rice.

All musical selections will be rendered by the choir of Gate of Heaven Church of God and Christ.

Guest preacher due in Donora

St. Paul Baptist Church, 49 South McKean Ave., Donora, will welcome the Rev. Glenn I. Loper as guest preacher for the 11 a.m. Sunday worship.

Loper is an associate minister under senior pastor Craig Giles at the Triumph Baptist Church, Sewickley. Loper is active in the teaching ministry, Bible study and is one of the worship leaders at his home church.

He is a graduate of Harty Bible School as well as the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary and the Urban Biblical Ministry. He is a graduate of Robert Morris College attaining a bachelor of science degree.

For transportation, call (724) 328-7905.

Joy Fellowship to meet Thursday

The Mary and Martha Joy Fellowship, of Monongahela, will hold its monthly meeting of praise and worship Thursday at the First Presbyterian Church, corner of Sixth, Chess and Main streets. Refreshments will be available at 6:30 p.m., the meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

Guest speaker will be the Rev. Shelia Davis, cofounder, along with her husband, the Rev. Terry Davis, of the multi-cultural, non-denominational Newness of Life Ministries, of Monessen.

In the early 1970s, she served as a captain in the United States Army and did lay ministry work in various churches throughout Virginia and Missouri. She was licensed in 1989 and moved to Washington, D.C. She was ordained in 1991 and she and Pastor Terry soon founded their ministry. In 1993, they returned to Monessen where they continue to develop the ministry that strives to meet the needs of the community. She earned a bachelor of science degree in social work at California University.

For information, call Virgie Vidil at (412) 384-4882; Dorothy Passarello at (724) 258-6143 or Barbra Simpson at (724) 258-4293.

Man claims he was fired for wearing 'God' button

The Home Depot says its employees aren't allowed to display personal beliefs.

By BRIAN SKOLOFF
Associated Press Writer

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — A former cashier for The Home Depot who has been wearing a "One nation under God" button on his work apron for more than a year has been fired, he says because of the religious reference.

The company claims that expressing such personal beliefs is simply not allowed.

"I've worn it for well over a year and I support my country and God," Trevor Keezor said earlier this week. "I was just doing what I think every American should do, just love my country."

The American flag button Keezer wore in the Florida store since March 2008 says "One nation under God, indivisible."

Earlier this month, he began bringing a Bible to read during his lunch break at the store in the rural town of Okeechobee, about 140 miles north of Miami.

That's when he says The Home Depot management told him he would have to remove the button.

Keezer refused, and he was fired on Oct. 23, he said.

"It feels kind of like a punishment, like I was punished for just loving my country," Keezer said.

A Home Depot spokesman said Keezer was fired because he violated the company's dress code.

"This associate chose to wear a button that expressed his religious beliefs. The issue is not whether or not we agree with the message on the button," Craig Fishel said. "That's not our place to say, which is exactly why we have a blanket policy, which is long-standing and well-communicated to our associates, that only company-provided pins and badges can be worn on our aprons."

Fishel said Keezer was offered a company-approved pin that said, "United We Stand," but he declined.

Keezer's lawyer, Kara Skorupa, said she planned to sue the Atlanta-based company.

"There are federal and state laws that protect against religious discrimination," Skorupa said. "It's not like he was out in the aisles preaching to people."

Keezer said he was working at the store to earn money for college, and wore the button to support his country and his 27-year-old brother, who is in the National Guard and is set to report in December for a second tour of duty in Iraq.

Skorupa noted the slogan on Keezer's pin is straight from the Pledge of Allegiance.

"These mottos and sayings that involve God, that's part of our country and historical fabric," Skorupa said. "In God we trust is on our money."

Michael Masinter, a civil rights and employment law professor at NOVA Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, said any lawsuit over religious discrimination might be a tough one to win.

"Because it's a private business, not one that's owned and operated by the government, it doesn't have to operate under the free speech provisions of the First Amendment," Masinter said.

"But we're not talking about religious displays here," he said. "This sounds more like a political message ... Wearing a button of that sort would not easily be described as a traditional form of religious expression like wearing a cross or wearing a yarmulke."

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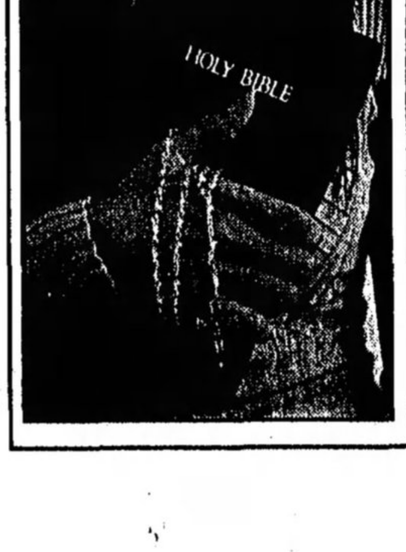
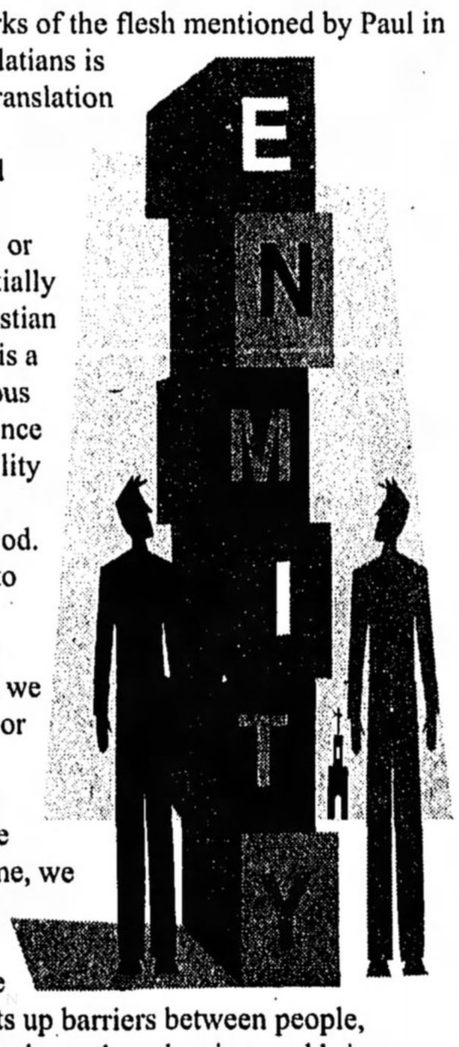


Enmity

The sixth of the works of the flesh mentioned by Paul in his epistle to the Galatians is enmity, which is a translation of the Greek word "echthra." The word "echthra" can be translated as enmity or hatred, and is essentially the opposite of Christian love or agape. This is a particularly dangerous work of the flesh, since it blocks the possibility of love and thereby separates us from God. It is also very easy to fall into habitual enmities, especially internal ones where we harbor resentments or grudges against others. Even within families, where love should reign supreme, we may sometimes find ourselves at bitter odds with one another. Enmity puts up barriers between people, whereas love breaks down these barriers and brings people together. We should reflect on our own life and try to get rid of the barriers of enmity. Do we harbor grudges or resentments against others? If so, let them go. Do we engage in actions or conversations which increase strife and enmity with others? We should do our best to liye a life devoted to love, and one which is free of hatred, strife, jealousy, and anger.



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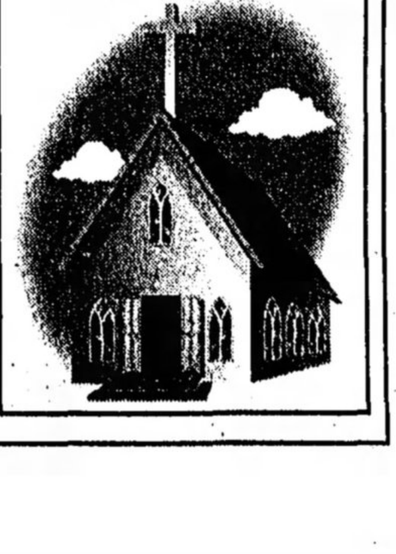

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Frugal Living

Make homemade crumbs with leftover bread

DEAR SARA: Do you make your own breadcrumbs? When I was little, my mom always made them. She had this little satchel in which we used to put leftover bread. She kept it in the cupboard, and when it was full, we got out the hand-crank grinder and made our breadcrumbs.

Things are made with so many preservatives now. I have been afraid of making my own because I don't know whether the leftover bread would keep before it became moldy. If you make your own, how do you store the bread before you're ready to grind? And what do you put it in afterward? — **Shelly B., Pennsylvania**

DEAR SHELLY: Yes, I make my own. Not all of the time, but if and when I have enough leftover bread, I make a point to use it up. I freeze any leftover bread until I have enough to make breadcrumbs. I take it out and place it on a baking sheet in the oven with the light on until dried.

Place the bread in a plastic baggie, and use your hands or a rolling pin to make them into crumbs. Or you can break the bread into small chunks and run them through a food processor until you have coarse crumbs, then bake your crumbs in the oven at 200 F for about 45 minutes. Place in an airtight container, and keep in a cool, dry place or in the freezer until ready to use.

DEAR SARA: I got an invite to a good friend's bridal shower in a few weeks. She is Italian

Sara **NOEL**

and has a huge family-and-friend circle. I know her guest list so far to the wedding is at 350-plus. But on the invite it says bring unwrapped gifts to the bridal shower for time constraints. I have NEVER EVER brought an unwrapped gift anywhere. Would it be wrong to wrap it? I don't even know what "it" is, but I want her to have a few gifts to open. Or should I follow the rules and bring unwrapped? Oh, and three of my other friends have called to ask me the same thing. So it's not just me who thinks this is odd. — **Amber, Wisconsin**

DEAR AMBER: It would be easy for me to say that it's rude and tacky to say anything about gifts on an invitation. But the fact remains that she's a good friend and it is their request, so I suggest you follow their request. I'm sure that others will disagree, but it's simply not worth snubbing this request when it's a close friend.

You can place a gift in an open basket or gift bag or simply place a bow on it. Because there are going to be so many gifts, all eyes will not be on yours. You could also not bring your main gift to the shower at all. You could make a lunch date or plan a get together and bring her a wrapped gift to open then.

DEAR SARA: Do you have any suggestions for getting makeup/face-cream stains out of the collars of my blouses and shirts? I changed brands of face powder and face cream, so I didn't have this problem until recently. I have used Shout, Dawn dishwashing liquid, OxiClean stain fighter, Stanley degreaser and Sol-U-Mel (Melaleuca) directly on the stain, and then washed in Wisk. I try one and then air-dry and try another. Nothing works. These are cotton or cotton/polyester blends. I hope you can help. Thanks! — **Dee, e-mail**

DEAR DEE: Try using EverBlum cosmetic stain remover, Carbona stain devil, Afta cleaning fluid or K2r spot lifter (www.superkleendirect.com).

DEAR SARA: Do you know where I can get wide-mouth one-gallon plastic jars at a reasonable price? They do not need to be food grade. -- **Surilda, e-mail**

DEAR SURILDA: You can ask restaurants, cafeterias, delis and bakeries whether they have any left over. Or check your dollar stores. I have some that I use as change jars. I got them from bulk snacks, such as pretzels from wholesale clubs.

Sara Noel is the owner of Frugal Village (www.frugalvillage.com), a Web site that offers practical, money-saving strategies for everyday living. To send tips, comments or questions, write to Sara Noel, c/o United Media, 200 Madison Ave., 4th Floor, New York, NY 10016, or e-mail sara@frugalvillage.com.

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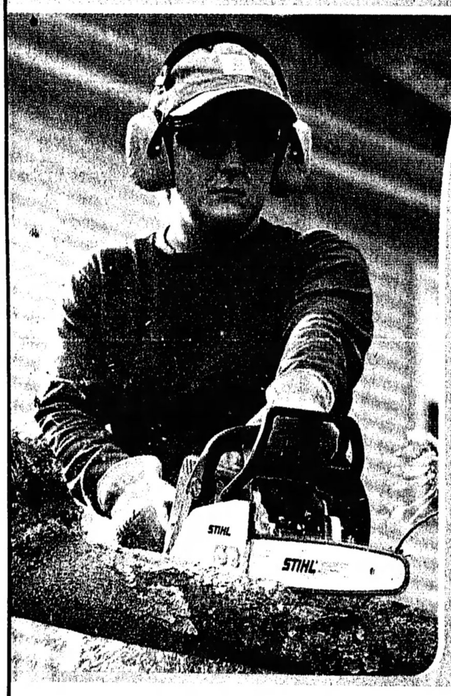

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SPORTS

NHL standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	11	9	2	0	18	37	25
N.Y. Rangers	12	8	3	1	17	46	33
New Jersey	9	6	3	0	12	26	22
Philadelphia	10	5	4	1	11	33	31
N.Y. Islanders	10	1	4	5	7	22	37

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OTPts	GF	GA
Buffalo	8	6	1	1	13	26	16
Montreal	11	6	5	0	12	30	32
Ottawa	9	5	2	2	12	30	26
Boston	10	5	4	1	11	30	32
Toronto	9	1	7	1	3	21	38

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OTPts	GF	GA
Washington	11	7	2	2	16	41	32
Atlanta	8	4	3	1	9	28	24
Tampa Bay	9	3	3	3	9	24	32
Carolina	10	2	5	3	7	24	34
Florida	9	2	6	1	5	19	35

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OTPts	GF	GA
Chicago	11	7	3	1	15	36	27
Columbus	10	6	4	0	12	33	34
Detroit	10	4	4	2	10	30	35
St. Louis	9	4	4	1	9	24	25
Nashville	10	3	6	1	7	18	33

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OTPts	GF	GA
Colorado	12	9	1	2	20	41	26
Calgary	10	7	2	1	15	41	33
Edmonton	12	6	5	1	13	38	36
Vancouver	12	6	6	0	12	35	33
Minnesota	11	3	8	0	6	23	35

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OTPts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	12	8	4	0	16	44	38
San Jose	12	7	4	1	15	42	35
Dallas	11	5	2	4	14	37	32
Phoenix	10	6	4	0	12	26	22
Anaheim	10	3	6	1	7	25	37

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Tuesday's Games

Washington 4, Philadelphia 2
Colorado 3, Edmonton 0
Detroit 5, Vancouver 4

Today's Games

N.Y. Rangers at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
St. Louis at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Phoenix at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Ottawa at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Nashville at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Colorado at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

NHL scoring leaders

	GP	G	A	PTS
Anze Kopitar, LA	12	10	11	21
Alex Ovechkin, Was	11	11	8	19
Marian Gaborik, NYR	12	10	8	18
Joe Thornton, SJ	12	3	14	17
Patrick Marleau, SJ	12	9	7	16
Vaclav Prospal, NYR	12	4	12	16
Dany Heatley, SJ	12	8	7	15
Dustin Penner, Edm	12	8	7	15
Rick Nash, Cls	10	6	9	15
Henrik Sedin, Van	12	6	9	15
Ryan Smyth, LA	12	6	9	15
N. Backstrom, Was	11	3	12	15
Rene Bourque, Cgy	10	5	9	14
A. Semin, Was	9	7	6	13
Evgeni Malkin, Pit	11	4	9	13

PSAC football standings

West Division	Conf. W	Conf. L	Overall W	Overall L
California	6	0	7	2
Edinboro	5	1	7	2
Clarion	5	1	6	3
Mercyhurst	3	3	4	5
Slippery Rock	2	4	5	4
Gannon	2	4	4	5
Indiana	1	5	4	5
Lock Haven	0	6	0	8

East Division	Conf. W	Conf. L	Overall W	Overall L
Shippensburg	5	1	7	2
Bloomsburg	5	1	8	1
West Chester	4	2	5	4
C.W. Post	4	2	4	5
East Stroudsurg	3	3	6	3
Millersville	2	4	3	6
Kutztown	1	5	3	6
Cheyney	0	6	0	9

Saturday

Noon - Kutztown at C.W. Post
1 p.m. - Bloomsburg at West Chester; Millersville at East Stroudsburg; Gannon at Indiana; Clarion at Edinboro; Shippensburg at Cheyney; Slippery Rock at Lock Haven.
3:30 p.m. - Mercyhurst at California.

Big East football

	Conf. W	Conf. L	Overall W	Overall L
Pittsburgh	3	0	6	1
Cincinnati	2	0	6	0
West Virginia	1	0	5	1
USF	1	1	5	1
Connecticut	1	1	4	2
Rutgers	0	2	5	2
Louisville	0	2	2	4
Syracuse	0	2	2	4

Friday

West Virginia at South Florida, 8 p.m. (ESPN2)

Saturday

Cincinnati at Syracuse, noon (ESPNU)
Rutgers at Connecticut, noon
Arkansas State at Louisville, noon

Billiards

Donora Men's Pool League

Standings

Division A

American Legion, 53-15; Eagles 1, 42-26; PNA, 38-30; Hoot Owls, 32-36; St. Dominic's, 30-38.

Division B

Hungarian Club, 38-30; Eagles 2 , 33-35; St. Mary's, 31-37; Rusin Club, 23-45; Firemen, 20-48.

Last week's results

Firemen 9, PNA 8
Eagles 1 11, Hoot Owls 6
St. Dominic's 11, Rusin Club 6
American Legion 14, St. mary's 3
Eagles 2 9, Hungarian Club 8

Thursday

PNA at Hoot Owls
Eagles 1 at St. Dominic's
Rusin Club at American Legion
St. Mary's at Eagles 2
Firemen at Hungarian Club

Shane Victorino and the Phillies will face the Yankees in Game 1 of the World Series at 8 p.m. on WPGH.

Sports dial

Today

Television

7:30 p.m. - Fox Sports - Montreal at Pittsburgh, hockey.
8 p.m. - ESPN - New Orleans at San Antonio, pro basketball.
8 p.m. - WPGH - Philadelphia at New York Yankees, baseball.
10:30 p.m. - ESPN - Utah at Denver, pro basketball.

Radio

7:30 p.m. - WXDX (105.9 FM) - Montreal at Pittsburgh, hockey.
8 p.m. -WEAE (1250) - Philadelphia at New York Yankees, baseball.

World Series schedule

Today

Philadelphia (Lee 7-4) at New York (Sabathia 19-8), 7:57 p.m.

Thursday

Philadelphia (Martinez 5-1) at New York (Burnett 13-9), 7:57 p.m.

Saturday

New York (Pettite 14-8) at Philadelphia (Hamels 10-11), 7:57 p.m.

Sunday

New York at Philadelphia, 8:20 p.m.

Monday

x-New York at Philadelphia, 7:57 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 4

x-Philadelphia at New York, 7:57 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 5

x-Philadelphia at New York, 7:57 p.m.

High school football

Class AAA

Big Seven Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
T. Jefferson	5	0	8	0
Chartiers Valley	5	1	7	1
West Mifflin	2	3	5	3
BV Area	2	3	4	4
Trinity	2	3	3	5
Elizabeth Forward	1	4	4	4
Ringgold	1	4	3	5

Friday

Elizabeth Forward at BV Area
Ringgold at Trinity
T. Jefferson at West Mifflin
A. Gallatin at Char Valley

Keystone Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Greensburg Salem	5	0	7	1
Uniontown	4	1	5	3
Laurel Highlands	3	2	3	5
Derry	3	2	3	5
Albert Gallatin	2	4	3	5
Yough	1	4	1	7
S'moreland	0	5	0	8

Friday

Southmoreland at Yough
L. Highland at Uniontown
Derry at Greensburg Salem
A. Gallatin at Char Valley

Class AA

Interstate Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Mt. Pleasant	8	0	8	0
McGuffey	6	2	6	2
Washington	6	2	6	2
Greensburg Central	6	2	6	2
Charleroi	5	3	5	3
Jeannette	5	3	5	3
Waynesburg	2	6	2	6
Brownsville	1	7	1	7
South Allegheny	0	8	0	8
East Allegheny	1	7	1	7

Friday

Mt. Pleasant at Charleroi
Brownsville at Waynesburg
Washington at McGuffey
E. Allegheny at S. Allegheny
Greensburg C.C. at Jeannette

Class A

Tri-County South

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Monessen	6	0	6	2
Beth-Center	5	1	6	2
Jefferson-Morgan	4	2	6	2
California	3	3	4	4
Carmichaels	3	3	3	5
Geibel	2	4	3	5
Mapletown	1	5	1	7
West Greene	0	6	0	8

Friday

California at Monessen
Carmichaels at West Greene
Mapletown at Jeff-Morgan

Saturday

Beth-Center at Geibel, noon

Black Hills Conference

	Con. W	Con. L	Overall W	Overall L
Clairton	5	0	6	1
Serra	4	1	6	1
Fort Cherry	3	2	5	2
Chartiers-Houston	2	3	4	3
Burgettstown	2	3	3	4
Frazier	2	3	3	4
Bentworth	1	4	2	5
Avella	1	4	2	5

Friday

Bentworth at Frazier
Serra at Clairton
Avella at Burgettstown
Fort Cherry at Char-Houston

High school football rankings

Pennsylvania high school football rankings from The Patriot-News of Harrisburg for the week of Oct. 26, with school's district in parentheses, followed by the school's record and last week's ranking.

CLASS AAAA

	Sec. W-L	Last Wk.
1. Bishop McDevitt	(3) 8-0	1
2. North Penn	(1) 8-0	2
3. Gateway	(7) 8-0	3
4. St. Joseph's Prep	(12) 6-1	4
5. McKeesport	(7) 7-1	5
6. La Salle College HS	(12) 6-1	6
7. Woodland Hills	(7) 7-1	7
8. Pennsbury	(1) 8-0	8
9. McDowell	(10) 6-2	9
10. Cardinal O'Hara	(12) 7-1	10

Honorable mention

Avon Grove (1) 7-1, Bethel Park (7) 7-1, Council Rock South (1) 6-2, Cumberland Valley (3) 7-1, Downingtown West (1) 7-1, Easton (11) 7-1, Garnet Valley (1) 7-1, Neshaminy (1) 7-1, North Allegheny (7) 7-1, Pittsburgh Central Catholic (7) 6-2, Ridley (1) 8-0, Shaler (7) 7-1, State College (6) 7-1, Wilson (3) 7-1.

CLASS AAA

	Sec. W-L	Last Wk.
1. Thomas Jefferson	(7) 8-0	1
2. Selinsgrove	(4) 8-0	2
3. Wilson Area	(11) 8-0	3
4. Manheim Central	(3) 8-0	4
5. Hopewell	(7) 8-0	5
6. Bayard Rustin	(1) 8-0	6
7. Pottsgrove	(1) 8-0	7
8. Cathedral Prep	(10) 6-2	8
9. West York	(3) 8-0	9
10. Allentown CC	(11) 7-1	10

Honorable mention

Abington Heights (2) 7-1, Berwick (2) 6-2, Chartiers Valley (7) 7-1, Dallas (2) 8-0, Greencastle-Antrim (3) 6-2, Hershey (3) 6-2, Interboro (1) 8-0, North Pocono (2) 7-1, Owen J. Roberts (1) 7-1, Strong Vincent (10) 6-2, Susquehanna Twp. (3) 7-1, West Allegheny (7) 6-2.

CLASS AA

	Sec. W-L	Last Wk.
1. Dunmore	(2) 8-0	2
2. Center	(7) 7-1	NR
3. Beaver Falls	(7) 7-1	1
4. Aliquippa	(7) 7-1	4
5. West Catholic	(12) 6-2	6
6. General McLane	(10) 8-0	5
7. Lancaster Catholic	(3) 7-1	7
8. Wilmington	(10) 7-1	9
9. South Fayette	(7) 8-0	10
10. Keystone Oaks	(7) 7-1	NR

Honorable mention

Bok (12) 8-0, Burrell (7) 6-2, Forest Hills (6) 8-0, Freeport (7) 7-1, Loyalsock Twp. (4) 6-2, Martinsburg Central (6) 7-1, Middletown (3) 6-2, Montoursville (4) 7-1, Mount Carmel (4) 6-2, Northern Lehigh (11) 7-1, North Schuylkill (11) 8-0, Shady Side Academy (7) 7-1, Sto-Rox (7) 6-2, Towanda (4) 8-0, Trinity (3) 6-2, Tyrone (6) 7-1.

CLASS A

	Sec. W-L	Last Wk.
1. Rochester	(7) 8-0	1
2. Farrell	(10) 8-0	2
3. Bishop McCort	(6) 8-0	3
4. Laurel Fayette	(7) 7-1	4
5. Clairton	(7) 7-1	5
6. Steelton-Highspire	(3) 5-2	6
7. Old Forge	(2) 8-0	7
8. Bellwood-Antis	(6) 8-0	8
9. Portage	(6) 8-0	9
10. Serra Catholic	(7) 7-1	10

Honorable mention

Avonworth (7) 7-1, Calvary Christian (1) 6-1, Cameron County (9) 8-0, Conemaugh Twp. (5) 7-1, Mercyhurst Prep (10) 8-0, North Catholic (7) 6-2, Sharpsville (10) 7-1.

Sports moves

BASEBALL

American League

KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Named Steve Foster bullpen coach and Kyle Turner assistant trainer.

TAMPA BAY RAYS—Agreed to terms with OF Gabe Kapler on a one-year contract.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Announced the appointment Paul Beeston as president and CEO of the team for a three year term.

National League

HOUSTON ASTROS—Named Brad Mills manager. Sent C Chris Coste outright to Round Rock (PCL).

WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Named Casey McKeon director of player procurement and Jay Robertson special assistant to the general manager.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed RB Aaron Stecker. Placed S William Moore on injured reserve. Placed CB Glenn Sharpe on the practice squad-injured list. Signed S Eric Brock to the practice squad.

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Waived DB Keith Lewis. Activated DB Dante Wesley from the reserved-suspended list.

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed LB William Kershaw. Placed CB Will Allen on injured reserve.

NEW YORK JETS—Re-signed CB-KR Justin Miller. Placed RB Leon Washington on injured reserve.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Placed OT Tony Pashos on injured reserve.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NHL—Suspended Dallas F Steve Ott for two games as the result of a low-hit on St. Louis D Carlo Colaiacovo in an Oct. 24 game.

ATLANTA THRASHERS—Recalled F Jason Krog from Chicago (AHL).

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS—Reassigned C Jake Dowell to Rockford (AHL).

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Placed C Andrew Murray on injured reserve, retroactive to Oct. 20.

NEW YORK RANGERS—Recalled F P.A. Parenteau from Hartford (AHL).

OTTAWA SENATORS—Assigned D Erik Karlsson to Binghamton (AHL).

ST. LOUIS BLUES—Recalled F Yan Stastny from Peoria (AHL).

COLLEGE

BOSTON COLLEGE—Announced freshman QB Justin Tuggle and sophomore RB Josh Haden will transfer.

EASTERN WASHINGTON—Announced the NCAA reversed a postseason ban on the football team, making them eligible for this year's Football Championship Subdivision playoffs.

Soccer playoffs

Boys

Class AAA

First Round

Tuesday

Shaler 2, Central Catholic 1
Peters Twp. 3, Penn-Trafford 0
Pine-Richland 1, Gateway 0

Quarterfinals

Thursday

At North Allegheny

7:45 p.m. - Upper St. Clair (16-2-1) vs Fox Chapel (18-0-1)

Saturday

Shaler (9-5-3) at Mt. Lebanon (16-1-1); Pine-Richland (11-4-2) vs Norwin (14-4-1); Peters Township (14-2-1) va Bethl Park (15-3-1)

Class AA

First Round

Southmoreland 2, Keystone Oaks 0

South Park 8, Ambridge 0

Quarterfinals

Thursday

At Chartiers Valley

7:45 p.m. - West Allegheny (17-1-1) vs Center (14-4-0)

Saturday

Mars (18-1) vs Southmoreland (14-3-1); Beaver (12-5) vs Chartiers Valley (11-5-2); Hampton (14-3) vs South Park (17-2)

Class A

First Round

Tuesday

Springdale 1, Charleroi 0
Canevin 4, Bentworth 0

Quarterfinals

Thursday

At Quaker Valley

7:45 p.m. - Seton-Lasalle (13-6) vs Quaker Valley (15-3)

At North Allegheny

6 p.m. - Trinity Christian (12-7) vs Grb. Central (15-4)

At Mars

7:45 p.m. - Sewickley Academy (11-6-2) vs Springdale (13-1-3)

Saturday

Freedom (14-2-1) vs Canevin (13-6)

Girls

Class AAA

First Round

Tuesday

Canon-McMillan 2, Bethel Park 0
Moon 4, Franklin Regional 0
Mt. Lebanon 4, North Allegheny 0
Peters Twp. 2, Mars 0
Seneca Valley 5, Thomas Jefferson 0

Quarterfinals

Saturday

Moon (17-0-1) vs Norwin (15-3-1); Peters Township (16-1-2) vs Mt. Lebanon (14-3-1); Canon-McMillan (15-5) vs Penn-Trafford (15-3-1); Southmoreland (14-1-2) vs Seneca Valley (18-0-1).

Class AA

First Round

Tuesday

Sewickley Academy 3, Neshannock 1

South Park 7, Deer Lakes 0
Springdale 5, Quigley 0

Quarterfinals

Thursday

At Quaker Valley

6 p.m. - Beaver (15-1) vs Quaker Valley (10-6-2)

At Chartiers Valley

6 p.m. - Center (15-2-1) vs Mt. Pleasant (16-4)

At Mars

6 p.m. - Sewickley Academy (15-3-1) vs Springdale (15-1-2)

Saturday

South Park (16-1-2) vs Shady Side Academy (14-3-1)

NBA standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	1	0	1.000	—
New Jersey	0	0	.000	1/2
New York	0	0	.000	1/2
Philadelphia	0	0	.000	1/2
Toronto	0	0	.000	1/2

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	1	0	1.000	—
Atlanta	0	0	.000	1/2
Charlotte	0	0	.000	1/2
Miami	0	0	.000	1/2
Orlando	0	0	.000	1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	0	0	.000	—
Detroit	0	0	.000	—
Indiana	0	0	.000	—
Milwaukee	0	0	.000	—
Cleveland	0	1	.000	1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Memphis	0	0	.000	—
New Orleans	0	0	.000	—
San Antonio	0	0	.000	—
Dallas	0	1	.000	1/2
Houston	0	1	.000	1/2

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Portland	1	0	1.000	—
Denver	0	0	.000	1/2
Minnesota	0	0	.000	1/2
Oklahoma City	0	0	.000	1/2
Utah	0	0	.000	1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	1	0	1.000	—
Golden State	0	0	.000	1/2
Phoenix	0	0	.000	1/2
Sacramento	0	0	.000	1/2
L.A. Clippers	0	1	.000	1

Tuesday's Games

Boston 95, Cleveland 89
Washington 102, Dallas 91
Portland 96, Houston 87
L.A. Lakers 99, L.A. Clippers 92

Today's Games

Indiana at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Memphis, 8 p.m.
New Jersey at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
New Orleans at San Antonio, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Utah at Denver, 10:30 p.m.
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Houston at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

San Antonio at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Denver at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

MLS playoffs

Thursday, Oct. 29

Houston at Seattle, 10 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 31

Columbus at Real Salt Lake, 6 p.m.
Chicago at New England, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 1

Los Angeles at Chivas USA, 5 p.m.

AFC leaders

Quarterbacks

	Att	Com	Yds	TD	Int
P. Manning,IND	215	156	1880	15	4
Schaub, HOU	249	163	2074	16	5
R'berger, PIT	233	164	2062	11	6
Orton, DEN	194	124	1465	9	1
Brady, NWE	273	179	2032	15	4
P. Rivers,SND	213	126	1787	10	3
Flacco, BAL	225	145	1674	11	5
C. Palmer,CIN	227	140	1608	13	7
Garrard, JAC	212	130	1464	5	3
Henne, MIA	103	62	659	3	3

Rushers

	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
Benson, CIN	164	720	4.39	28t	5
T. Jones,NYJ	122	602	4.93	71t	7
C. Johnson,TEN	95	596	6.27	91t	2
Ro. Brown,MIA	109	491	4.50	38	7
Jones-Drew, JAC	108	463	4.29	61t	8
R. Rice,BAL	73	441	6.04	50	3
Mendenhall, PIT	78	418	5.36	39	4
F. Jackson,BUF	103	417	4.05	43	0
Ri. Williams,MIA	70	396	5.66	68t	5
Moreno, DEN	99	381	3.85	17	1

Receivers

	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
Welker, NWE	46	484	10.5	48	4
R. Moss,NWE	43	565	13.1	40t	4
H. Ward,PIT	42	602	14.3	52t	2
H. Miller,PIT	40	353	8.8	25	4
Ochocinco, CIN	39	573	14.7	50	5
Wayne, IND	39	542	13.9	39	5
O. Daniels,HOU	39	497	12.7	44	5
A. Johnson,HOU	38	634	16.7	72t	4
Dal. Clark,IND	38	485	12.8	80t	3
Gates, SND	34	474	13.9	37	2

Scoring

Touchdowns

	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	Pts
Jones-Drew, JAC	8	8	0	0	48
Ro. Brown,MIA	7	7	0	0	42
T. Jones,NYJ	7	7	0	0	42
McGahee, BAL	7	5	2	0	42
Ri. Williams,MIA	6	5	1	0	36
Addai, IND	5	4	1	0	30
Benson, CIN	5	5	0	0	30
O. Daniels,HOU	5	0	5	0	30
Ochocinco, CIN	5	0	5	0	30
Slaton, HOU	5	2	3	0	30

Kicking

	PAT	FG	LG	Pts
Gostkowski, NE	21-21	13-16	53	60
Kaeding, SND	17-17	14-17	50	59
Feely, NYJ	17-17	11-13	43	50
Prater, DEN	13-13	12-16	50	49
Lindell, BUF	11-11	12-14	47	47
Je. Reed,PIT	20-20	9-12	46	47
Carpenter,MIA	17-17	9-10	45	44
K. Brown,HOU	21-21	6-9	50	39
Hauschka, BAL	22-22	5-7	44	37
Succop, KAN	10-10	9-11	53	37

Punters

	No	Yds	LG	Avg
Lechler, OAK	42	2194	70	52.2
Scifres, SND	22	1063	65	48.3
Moorman, BUF	44	2047	66	46.5
Kern, DEN	27	1245	64	46.1
Koch, BAL	26	1182	60	45.5
B. Fields,MIA	25	1125	55	45.0
Sepulveda, PIT	26	1164	58	44.8
Zastudil, CLE	43	1916	60	44.6
Colquitt, KAN	46	2046	64	44.5
McAfee, IND	19	846	59	44.5

NFC leaders

Quarterbacks

	Att	Com	Yds	TD	Int
Rodgers, GBY	184	121	1702	11	2
Brees, NOR	197	132	1698	14	5
Favre, MIN	229	158	1681	12	3
Romo, DAL	194	117	1652	9	4
McNabb, PHL	110	63	768	6	1
E. Manning, NY	203	120	1633	12	6
M. Ryan,ATL	191	120	1360	11	6
Warner, ARI	227	158	1672	9	6
Kolb, PHL	96	62	741	4	3
Campbell,WAS	206	136	1481	8	7

Rushers

	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
A. Peterson,MIN	138	687	4.98	64t	8
S. Jackson,STL	143	635	4.44	58	0
R. Grant,GBY	118	495	4.19	37	3
Portis, WAS	120	490	4.08	78	1
Jacobs, NYG	120	464	3.87	31	2
D. Williams,CAR	105	461	4.39	20t	5
Bradshaw, NYG	80	455	5.69	38	3
M. Turner,ATL	118	403	3.42	33	7
Kev. Smith,DET	109	348	3.19	20	3
M. Barber,DAL	72	344	4.78	35	3

Receivers

	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
St. Smith,NYG	45	594	13.2	43	4
Fitzgerald, ARI	41	443	10.8	27	5
S. Rice,MIN	34	545	16.0	63	2
R. White,ATL	33	435	13.2	90t	5
Celek, PHL	33	386	11.7	42	2
Witten, DAL	33	312	9.5	22	1
Burleson, SEA	32	398	12.4	44t	3
Boldin, ARI	32	381	11.9	44	1
H'zaden, SEA	31	359	11.6	34t	2
Winslow, TAM	31	295	9.5	42t	4

Scoring

Touchdowns

	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	Pts
A. Peterson,MIN	8	8	0	0	48
M. Turner,ATL	7	7	0	0	42
Ve. Davis,SNF	6	0	6	0	36
Austin, DAL	5	0	5	0	30
Colston, NOR	5	0	5	0	30
Fitzgerald, ARI	5	0	5	0	30
De. Jackson,PHL	5	1	3	1	30
Shiancoe, MIN	5	0	5	0	30
R. White,ATL	5	0	5	0	30
D. Williams,CAR	5	5	0	0	30

Kicking

	PAT	FG	LG	Pts
Tynes, NYG	21-21	16-19	49	69
Longwell, MIN	24-24	12-13	52	60
Carney, NOR	28-30	8-10	46	52
Akers, PHL	18-18	11-14	49	51
Crosby, GBY	15-16	12-15	52	51
Folk, DAL	16-16	11-13	51	49
Mare, SEA	13-13	9-11	47	40
Rackers, ARI	16-16	8-9	45	40
Ja. Hanson,DET	10-10	9-10	48	37
Nedney, SNF	16-16	7-9	50	37

NFL schedule

Sunday, Nov. 1

St. Louis at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Miami at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Dallas, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Denver at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Houston at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Oakland at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
Jacksonville at Tennessee, 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Green Bay, 4:15 p.m.
Carolina at Arizona, 4:15 p.m.
Open: New England, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Kansas City, Washington, Tampa Bay

Monday, Nov. 2

Atlanta at New Orleans, 8:30 p.m.

Latest Line

BEST BET: New York is 41-10 its last 51 home games. The Yankees are also 51-20 the last 71 home games vs. a left-handed starter and 10-1 in CC Sabathia's last 11 starts at Yankee Stadium. Philadelphia is just 3-9 its last 12 games vs. an American League East opponent. Take New York over Philadelphia for another Best Bet winner.

NFL

Favorite	Points	Underdog
Sunday, Nov 1		
Week Eight		
BALTIMORE	3 1/2	(41) Denver
CHICAGO	13 1/2	(40) Cleve.
Houston	3	(40) BUFFALO
GREEN BAY	3	(47) Minnesota
INDIANA.	12	(45) San Fran
NY JETS	3 1/2	(40) Miami
DETROIT	3 1/2	(43) St. Louis
DALLAS	9 1/2	(45) Seattle
SAN DIEGO	17	(43) Oakland
TENNESSEE	3	(44) J'ville
ARIZONA	9	(43) Carolina
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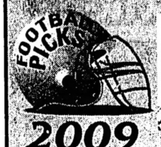

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Elizabeth at BV Area	BVA	BVA	BVA	BVA	BVA
Ringgold at Trinity	Trinity	Ringgold	Trinity	Trinity	Ringgold
WVU at SouthFlorida	WVU	WVU	WVU	WVU	WVU
USC at Oregon	USC	USC	USC	USC	USC
Broncos at Ravens	Ravens	Ravens	Ravens	Ravens	Ravens
Vikings at Packers	Packers	Packers	Vikings	Packers	Packers
Dolphins at Jets	Jets	Jets	Dophins	Jets	Jets
Jaguars at Titans	Titans	Titans	Jaguars	Titans	Titans
Rams at Lions	Lions	Lions	Rams	Lions	Rams
Giants at Eagles	Giants	Giants	Giants	Giants	Giants
Last week	6-4	8-2	6-4	7-3	8-2
Season record	41-29	41-29	37-33	46-24	47-23

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Last-second field goal gives N. Carolina upset victory

14th-ranked Va. Tech was favored by more than 2 touchdowns.

N.C. kicker Casey Barth, left, and Trase Jones celebrate last second win.

BLACKSBURG, Va. (AP) — North Carolina's defense is as good as advertised. T.J. Yates, Shaun Draughn and the offense are improving, too.

Casey Barth kicked a 21-yard field goal on the final play and the Tar Heels' defense, ranked seventh in the nation, stopped No. 14 Virginia Tech all night long in a 20-17 victory on Thursday night.

One week after blowing an 18-point lead in a 30-27 home loss against Florida State that had them reeling, the Tar Heels put their troubles in the past and handed the Hokies their second loss in a row. Twelve days earlier, Tech was in the national championship hunt.

"I've never really had this feeling before," Yates said after making several key completions. "Kicking it at the last second? It just sends chills down your spine."

The Tar Heels (5-4, 1-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) got their first conference win after forcing a fumble by Ryan Williams at his own 24 with 2:02 left and running out the clock.

Barth's field goal, his second in the final 3 minutes, just made it official.

"We knew we had to get back to the drawing board," Draughn said after running for 77 yards. "To come back and play the way we did definitely speaks volumes about out team."

The reverse may be true of the Hokies (5-3, 3-2), who until losing to No. 11 Georgia Tech 12 days ago were in the thick of the national championship picture and feeling good.

Now, with their slim ACC championship game chances probably also squandered?

"I think the motivation is to come out here so you don't feel like this again," linebacker Cody Grimm said, dismissing a 10-win season as a motivator. "Ten wins is one thing, but I don't want to feel like this any more and the only way to do that is to win."

No one felt worse than Williams, who started the night averaging 119 rushing yards, gained 96 and was hoping to lead the team down the field to a win until he lost the ball.

"As of right now, there probably isn't really anything they can say to lift me up because regardless of what anybody says, personally I feel like I kind of took the game away from us today," Williams said. "It was on the line, it was in my hands and I fumbled."

The loss was the Hokies' first in six ACC games against the Tar Heels.

Tydreke Powell caused Williams to fumble for just the second time this season — the first was on a muffed punt in the opener — and Deunta Williams recovered, setting the Tar Heels up at the Hokies 24. After six carries by Ryan Houston, Barth's chip shot won it.

Yates, who was knocked out of the Tar Heels 20-17 loss to the Hokies last season, finished 18-for-28 for just 131 yards. He was sacked twice, both in the first quarter.

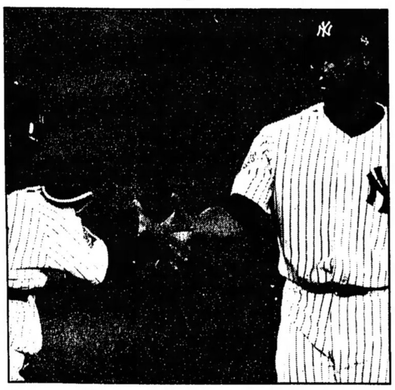
He hit Jheranie Boyd from 13 yards in the first half for the game's first points, and Greg Little from 15 yards as the Tar Heels answered immediately after the Hokies tied it.

Yates did make one big mistake, throwing a dump pass that Rashad Carmichael intercepted at the North Carolina 11, setting up the second of Tyrod Taylor's two touchdown runs. That gave the Hokies a 17-14 lead with 11:51 left, but Yates engineered a 16-play, 78-yard drive to a tying field goal and then the defense, fittingly, made a big play to get the win.

"I thought it was his best performance," Tar Heels coach Butch Davis said of Yates.

Burnett, homers get Yankees even, 3-1

Mark Teixeira and Hideki Matsui hit solo homers in New York's Game 2 win.



New York Yankees' Jorge Posada, left, congratulates Mariano Rivera after winning Game 2 of the World Series Thursday.

NEW YORK (AP) — More than any slugger on either team, pitching has been the star of this World Series.

A.J. Burnett took a page from Cliff Lee's how-to manual and backed by a few key hits and a sharp pickoff throw, New York drew even with the Phillies at one game apiece.

Mark Teixeira and Hideki Matsui helped rally the Yankees with solo homers off familiar foe Pedro Martinez, and Burnett's biting curveball frustrated Philadelphia in a 3-1 victory Thursday night.

After his team lost 6-1 in Wednesday's opener, Burnett happened to hear Lee talk about confidence during an on-field interview. It left an impression.

"He talked about belief in his stuff, and all I told myself last night and today was the same thing," Burnett said. "I went out tonight with confidence, and just, you know, the game just rolled by."

Light-hitting Matt Stairs, in a 4-for-51 slide, put the Phillies on top with an RBI single in the second off the glove of third baseman Alex Rodriguez. Philadelphia never got another runner past second base against Burnett and Mariano Rivera, who combined on a six-hitter.

After a day off, Game 3 will be at Philadelphia on Saturday night.

"We're not depressed at all. We feel pretty good," Phillies shortstop Jimmy Rollins said.

New York had managed only an unearned run in the first 12 innings of the Series but came to life after a pickoff throw from backup catcher Jose Molina caught Jayson Werth off first in the fourth inning. The Yankees went on to their first Series win at their new $1.5 billion ballpark — and their first since taking a 2-1 lead against Florida in 2003.

"They're the best team we've played all year," New York's Derek Jeter said. "They're champs for a reason, and we need to play well if we're going to beat them."

In an 8-for-44 (.182) postseason slump, Teixeira tied the score when he led off the fourth by driving a high changeup into the Yankees bullpen in right field.

"I think the home run got the crowd back in it," Teixeira said. "It kind of put a little bit of a crack in their armor."

Matsui put New York ahead with two outs in the sixth, reaching down for a curveball below his knees and sending it a few rows into the seats in right.

"I was able to make a good adjustment and put a good swing on it and fortunately it led to the result," he said through a translator.

Jorge Posada, on the bench because Molina has become Burnett's personal catcher, pinch hit in the seventh and added an RBI single off Chan Ho Park.

Burnett got his first win following three postseason no-decisions for the Yankees, allowing four hits in seven innings and retiring his last eight batters.

"He went to his bread-and-butter, that backdoor curveball. It's impossible to hit," Stairs said.

Burnett struck out nine and started his first 11 hitters with strikes, nine of them looking. Burnett kept his control, walking two, one intentional.

"A.J.'s breaking ball, it starts in the other batter's box," said Ryan Howard, who struck out three times against Burnett and four times in all. "That's a nasty pitch, nasty today."

Rivera got six outs for his 38th postseason save, his 10th in World Series play. After the Phillies put two on with one out in the eighth, Game 1 star Chase Utley grounded into an inning-ending double play.

When Rivera struck out Stairs with a runner on to end it, the Yankees sounded relieved.

"If we went in there 0-2, it would have been a tough road for us," Teixeira said.

Yankees manager Joe Girardi made several moves that paid off.

Yanks end 6-year wait

NEW YORK (AP) — The Yankees waited six long years for this.

They had not won a World Series game since that rainy night in Miami when Mike Mussina beat Florida's Josh Beckett for a 2-1 lead in the 2003 World Series.

Since then, they had lost four in a row in the Series — the only games that really matter for a franchise that counts championships by the dozen. They had churned through starters such as Kevin Brown, Javier Vazquez, Randy Johnson and Carl Pavano in a futile flurry that failed to regain the team's lofty level.

Even CC Sabathia fell short in the opener when New York returned to the Series this year.

A.J. Burnett finally broke through, pitching the type of game the Yankees expect — if not demand.

Burnett took a page from Cliff Lee's how-to manual and backed by a few key hits and a sharp pickoff throw, New York drew even with the Phillies at one game apiece.

Mark Teixeira and Hideki Matsui shook the Yankees from their lumber slumber with solo homers off familiar foe Pedro Martinez, and Burnett's biting curveball frustrated Philadelphia in a 3-1 victory Thursday night.

"I fed off the crowd tonight," Burnett said. "They were cheering all the time, but when I struck guys out, they really got loud, so I was just trying to keep that going for them."

After Philadelphia won Wednesday's opener 6-1, Burnett happened to hear Lee talk about confidence during an on-field interview. It left an impression.

"He talked about belief in his stuff, and all I told myself last night and today was the same thing," Burnett said.

SPORTS DIGEST

Frazier winner; Ringgold loses

Frazier was the lone area winner in the WPIAL volleyball playoffs Thursday.

The once-beaten Lady Commodores swept Sacred Heart, 3-0, at South Fayette.

Frazier won by 25-18, 25-14 and 25-14 scores to advance to the Class A quarterfinals against Jefferson-Morgan Tuesday.

Ringgold was a 3-0 first round loser in Class AAA to Seneca Valley with Blackhawk ousting Yough, 3-0, in a Class AA first round match.

Girls' basketball clinics scheduled

The Washington Township Youth Association will sponsor free girl's basketball clinics for third through sixth graders in the Belle Vernon Area School District Monday through Wednesday at the Bellmar Middle School gym.

The clinics for third and fourth graders will run from 5:30 p.m. to7 p.m.with the fifth and sixth graders' clinic running from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Another sack of Roethlisberger

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Ben Roethlisberger can get sacked even during an off week.

A scoring change has given the Minnesota Vikings an additional sack of Roethlisberger during Pittsburgh's 27-17 victory on Sunday. Roethlisberger was sacked four times, giving him 20 for the season.

A play in which Roethlisberger was initially given a 1-yard loss on a run has been changed to a sack by Minnesota's Kevin Williams.

Roethlisberger is on pace to be sacked 46 times, as many times as he was dropped last season.

Trivia answer

Peyton Manning (121.1), Tom Brady (117.2) and Steve Young (112.8).

Unhappy Browns' fans are fighting back

BEREA, Ohio (AP) — Tired of seeing their beloved Browns lose, some Cleveland fans are fighting back. Hoping to make a statement to protest the NFL team's abysmal record — this season and since the team returned in 1999 — some Browns backers are encouraging fans to walk in late to the Nov. 16 home game against Baltimore.

Two longtime season-ticket holders came up with the idea after Sunday's 31-3 loss to Green Bay.

Blackmar stays hot; tied for lead in Schwab Cup Championship

SONOMA, Calif. (AP) — A week ago Phil Blackmar wasn't sure he wanted to keep playing competitive golf. Now he's trying to win for the second straight week.

Four days after his first Champions Tour win, Blackmar shot a 6-under 66 on Thursday to share the first-round lead with Jeff Sluman in the season-ending Charles Schwab Cup Championship.

"Somebody jumped in my body last week ... I guess he's still there," said Blackmar, who had six birdies in a bogey-free round at Sonoma Golf Club. "I hope he stays there for another three days. I don't know who he is."

The 6-foot-7 Blackmar was languishing in 57th place on the money list and needed a top-five finish in San Antonio to avoid having to go to qualifying school. He didn't like that prospect and was seriously considering retiring.

"I had already determined that if I didn't (finish strong) then I was not going to play anymore," said Blackmar, a three-time winner on the PGA Tour who joined the Champions Tour late in 2007. "You can't qualify on a Monday and follow this tour around. It's just too hard."

Sluman birdied three of his first four holes on the back nine, eagled the par-5 16th then birdied 17 to move into a tie with Blackmar.

"I didn't feel very comfortable over the ball initially but I worked and stayed patient with my golf swing," Sluman said. "I got into a groove with the putter, which is really nice."

Eduardo Romero, the Toshiba Classic winner in March at Newport Beach, was a stroke back at 67, and John Cook and Brad Bryant opened with 68s.

Charles Schwab Cup points leader Loren Roberts had two eagles in a 70. Fred Funk, 165 points behind Roberts in second place in the race for the $1 million annuity, had a 71. Jay Haas, the 2008 points champion, also shot a 71, while Bernhard Langer, the only other player in contention for the points title, had a 72.

Langer is 348 points behind Roberts, and Haas is 602 back. The players will receive a point for every $500 earned, making a victory worth $442,000 and 884 points.

Langer leads the tour with four victories and $2,033,451. Roberts, a three-time winner, is second on the money list with $1,854,613.